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## Bottle attack on boxer leaves him scarred for life

A YOUNG man from Porthcawl who carried out a bottle attack on an international boxer, scarring him for life, walked free from Cardiff Crown Court, writes AJ SICLUNA.

Seconds before, the attacker, 19-year-old Dominic Ashley, had spat at a woman and when police searched his home, they found he had a taser and a quantity of drugs.

The victim, said prosecutor John Lloyd, had seven stitches in the wound and was unable to train for an important event for some time.

Ashley, of Pant Morfa, Porthcawl, admitted wounding Jordan Williams, assaulting Rebecca Maddern, possessing a prohibited weapon and possessing cannabis.

He was sentenced to 16 months custody, suspended for 18 months and was made subject to a

rehabilitation requirement for 20 days.

In addition, he was made subject to a six-month 7pm-6am curfew and ordered to pay Mr Williams £500 compensation plus a court surcharge of £140.

Mr Lloyd said that Mr Williams had been present outside Streets nightclub in Porthcawl when words were exchanged between two groups of people. Ashley was told to go away. He then spat at Ms Maddern.

Holding a beer bottle, he stepped forward, swung the bottle and hit Mr Williams.

Ashley then fled from the scene. He was later arrested and said: "I didn't assault him, he approached me."

When his home was searched, said Mr Lloyd, police found a taser and a small amount of cannabis.

In a victim impact statement, Mr Williams said he was anxious when socialising, didn't like being on his

own, felt angry and was unable to train for some time.

Ashley's solicitor, Craig Davies, pointed out that he had been in custody for seven weeks and accepted the likelihood that he would go to prison.

While on remand, he said, he had undergone a number of courses. At the time, he added, Ashley was unemployed.

Judge Eleri Rees asked: "What possible interest could someone have in possessing such an item as a taser?"

She said he had caused Mr Williams a deep wound and had behaved in a cowardly manner.

She said he had told the police he was drunk but, he added, that was no excuse.

She said it was "mindless violence". Regarding the taser, she said: "The courts take a very serious view of people having such a weapon."

## A PORTHCRAWL man who has become 'the face of the YMCA' has been awarded the British Empire Medal for "working with young people in the UK and abroad."

John Berry will be 82 later this month, and is still involved in the Porthcawl YMCA – in fact, this year will be his 60th anniversary of his involvement with the YMCA.

He was born in Lancashire, and has lived in Porthcawl since 1983. After finishing his National Service, he joined the YMCA.

John said: "For twenty five years I worked around and out of the country in various roles – largely starting new work including turning Boys' Clubs into mixed Youth Clubs."

"I also went to Jamaica and Belfast each for three years and carried out short term consultancies in Hong Kong and parts of Europe. The international and interdenominational aspect of the YMCA has been my particular interest."

"After three years in Jamaica I returned to the UK where I opened a new hostel for destitute teenagers in Norwich. After 12 months the then children's department asked me to take on a new post running a pilot scheme for the Home Office."

"After three years I moved to Grays in Essex to be nearer to my parents and three years later returned to the YMCA, taking the post of general secretary at Shankill Road YMCA in Belfast."

"I came to Porthcawl in 1983 to re-open the YMCA, bringing the international movement with me. Many Porthcawl members have visited various parts of Europe as International Leaders with Eurocross, Euromeet and Inter Rail; nineteen were on the first work camp to Calcutta where we have a continuing relationship and we have developed contact with YMCAs in Armenia, India, Germany, Czech Republic and China. A young member of Porthcawl YMCA attended the YMCA World Conference in Aruba in 1988."

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On John's 80th birthday, Porthcawl YMCA's vice-chair, Andrew Collier (right), presented John with a framed montage of photographs. Photo by the late Keith E Morgan).

## WOMAN DIES IN M4 COLLISION

OFFICERS from South Wales Police attended a serious collision on the M4 westbound between junctions 37 at Pyle and 38 at Margam at 2.58pm on Tuesday, June 12.

The collision involved a single motor vehicle, a grey BMW X5. As a result of the collision, the 28-year-old female passenger sustained fatal injuries, and died at the scene. Her family is currently being supported by specially trained officers.

The 31-year-old male driver of the vehicle was taken to the University Hospital of Wales in Cardiff by air ambulance, where his condition is described as serious and life-threatening.

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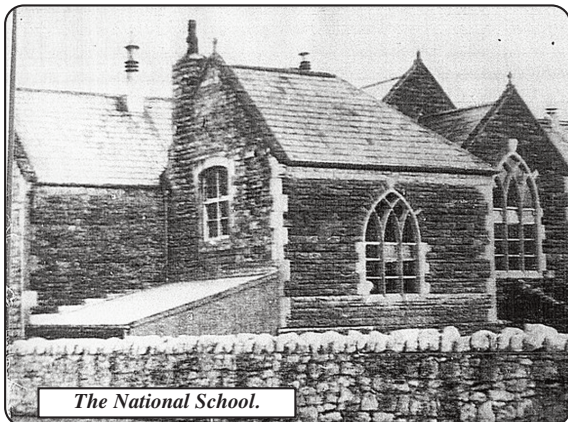
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# The story of two Porthcawl families who sent 13 soldiers to fight in WWI

## PORTHCAWL NEWS JUNE 1918 BY CERI JOSEPH



The National School.

**Porthcawl Historian Ceri Joseph continues her series on life in Porthcawl 100 years ago, while World War One was raging. This month, she reaches June 1918.**

**THE German third offensive, which had come to a halt on June 4, had reached Belleau Wood, dangerously close to the Metz to Paris road.**

During the spring one million Parisiennes had already moved out of the city; their fear heightened by Germany's long-range 'Paris' gun which had been constantly battering the city since March 21.

By June, French politicians were beginning to fear the worst and, in the event of those fears being realised, had discussed plans to move the government to Bordeaux.

Yet the German divisions were exhausted and Ludendorff's tactics lacked strategic focus, resulting in a number of salients being punched into the Allied lines, which overstretched their supply lines and left them open to counter-attacks.

On June 6 under the

command of General Omar Bundy, the US 2nd Division enforced one such attack at the Battle of Belleau Wood, and by June 26 had successfully recaptured the wood.

The battle, which was the first major battle fought by the US Army, is probably best remembered for Captain Lloyd William's quote: on being advised to retreat by a French soldier. He retorted: "Retreat? Hell, we just got here."

The Americans suffered 9,777 casualties, including 1,811 dead; at the time, the highest number against a foreign enemy in American history. Although it is not clear how many German casualties there were, it is known that 1,600 German prisoners were taken during the fighting.

In an attempt to straighten their frontline, the Germans launched a fourth offensive on June 9, also known as The Battle of Matz. Initial gains were soon met by a French/American counter-attack resulting in the end of any German advance on June 13.

In the days that followed, German artillery bombarded the British lines. One area that suffered this intense shelling was Bois de Courton, south of Rheims.

Defending the area was the 58th British Division, which included the 9th Battalion, Royal

Welsh Fusiliers. Serving with the battalion was Private Arthur Richard Kingdon and Private Emlyn James Rowe.

Both young men lived in Newton, grew up together, attended New Road School and, sadly, died on the same day as a result of persistent enemy shellfire. They are remembered with honour on the Soissons Memorial, Aisne, France and the Porthcawl War Memorial.

Pte Kingdon, who to his family was known as Richard, was born in 1898 in Chestnut Cottage, Church Street, Newton to John, a greengrocer and Mary Kingdon. Robert was one of six children; the youngest of four boys who all served in the war.

The two oldest brothers Phillip and Albert, who were labourers, had emigrated to Montreal, Canada in May 1913 in search of new opportunities.

Canada was in the middle of a building boom and the huge demand for labour resulted in the largest number of immigrants entering the country within a certain period.

Yet by 1916, and the onset of war, both had enlisted into the 226th Canadian Infantry Division on February 26, 1916 and on December 13 that same year sailed for England with their unit on the SS *Olympic*, sister ship of the RMS *Titanic*. Although wounded, both men survived the war and



Squadron Leader Kenneth Illingworth.

returned to Porthcawl.

Albert died in 1963 and Phillip in 1960. The third brother, Eustace, who served with the 14th Battalion Welsh Regiment, was wounded in action on September 18, 1918 at the Battle of Ephey, France.

In 1923 he married Mary Hartery, set up home in Holmesdene Place, Newton; worked as a butcher and in 1933 their son David was born. Eustace died in 1987.

Yet Richard, who had originally enlisted at Bridgend into the Denbighshire Yeomanry, with whom he served in Palestine in 1917, was drafted to France in May 1918 where he died a month later on June 14, 1918 at the age of 20.

Richard's pal Pte Rowe was the only son of four children born in 1898 to Albert and Catherine Rowe of Glenfield Cottage, Newton. Albert, a stonemason who served with the 5th Battalion, Welsh Regiment was one of nine family members who rallied to the colours during the war.

Albert's brothers, John of Railway Terrace, (Hillsboro Place today) served with the Devonshires; William, (Myrtle Cottage, Nottage), with the 12th Battalion, Welsh Regiment; while Gilbert had enlisted into the Royal Army Medical Corps. Nephew Private Stanley Rowe and nephew-in-law Corporal Harry Batters had both

served with the Glamorgan Yeomanry, while another nephew, Edgar (Railway Terrace), had served with the 1st Battalion, Gloucester Regiment. Emlyn has two other cousins who are remembered alongside him on the Porthcawl Memorial: brothers John Ormonde Rowe, 9th Battalion, RWF, who died on August 21, 1916 and Private Victor Diamond Rowe, Monmouthshire Regiment.

Victor had been home on leave during the last week of June prior to his posting to France, but was killed on October 10, 1918 at the Battle of St Quentin. The Rowe family certainly served their country, with honour.

Earlier in the month on June 3 near Ypres, Lieutenant John Illingworth MC West Yorkshire Regiment had also been killed by shellfire; he was 26 years old. John Illingworth had been born in Skipton, Yorkshire to James and Elizabeth Illingworth. In 1915 in Skipton he married Muriel Wright and in 1917 their son Kenneth was born.

Following John's death in 1922 Muriel married Robert James Hamill and the family moved to Porthcawl, where Robert took up an appointment at the Vivian Steelworks, Port Talbot, while Kenneth attended the National School, Lias Road.

Kenneth then went on to study at Queen's



SS Olympic.

College, London University until the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939, whereupon he joined the Royal Air Force. After training he became a pilot in RAF Coastal Command and was posted to No 235 Squadron.

While flying the twin-engine Bristol Blenheim bomber, he fought the Germans over the beaches of Dunkirk, flying from Bircham Newton, in Norfolk. During the Battle of Britain 235 Squadron served in both Fighter Command and Coastal Command and in December 1941, Kenneth flew with his squadron as part of the air cover for the British Combined Operations raid called Operation Archery, which struck German positions on the Norwegian islands of Vågsoy and Måløy.

Squadron Leader Kenneth Illingworth was then posted to the Far East, where he died during operations on February 21, 1943 aged 26. Kenneth's body was never recovered and, as a consequence, he is remembered with honour on the Singapore Memorial and the Porthcawl War Memorial. His mother, Muriel Hamill, died in 1950 and is buried in St John's Churchyard, Newton.

Once again attention on the home front was

on the preservation and rationing of foodstuffs.

The Porthcawl Food Committee had agreed to rent the shed situated on the old Great Western Railway station at an annual rent of 10s; to be used as a store for foodstuffs prior to local rationing.

Also, due to an abundance of fruit that month, the committee advised Porthcawlians to preserve as much fruit as possible and collect jam jars. They intended to write to the Ministry of Food to ask for a supply of sugar, in order that jam be made to be sold in local shops.

Unfortunately, Cllr David Davies negated this enthusiastic idea by informing the committee that a good supply of jam would soon be arriving from Australia in casks.

Further, it was not only foodstuffs that were becoming scarce and, thus, going up in price.

The price of salt and

pepper had increased to such a level that a wit exclaimed that the cruet 'will now demand more respect on the table.'

A more serious concern was slowly drawing ever closer to Porthcawl: the Spanish 'flu. It was reported in the Porthcawl News: "The very virulent type of influenza known as the Spanish 'flu has spread in certain directions with disquieting rapidity."

Many parts of south Wales had already been affected by June 1918.

Finally, Police Constable Frank Trott, who in pre-war days had been stationed at Newton, was honourably discharged from serving with the Welsh Guards and returned to the police force with Sergeant Jenkins at Porthcawl Police Station, John Street, the Porthcawl Museum, today.

### HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JUNE 21)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary.

For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 - 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	AM	M	PM	M
14 Thur	07.29	10.2	19.53	10.2
15 Fri	08.21	10.3	20.42	10.4
16 Sat	09.10	10.2	21.29	10.1
17 Sun	09.58	10.0	22.19	9.9
18 Mon	10.47	9.6	23.12	9.5
19 Tues	11.42	9.1	23.59	9.0
20 Wed			12.36	8.7
21 Thur	00.59	8.6	13.37	8.4

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# Porthcawl on TV, as BBC focuses on Elvis festival

BBC Wales is returning to the Porthcawl Elvis Festival with a programme to be broadcast later this month – and it promises to delve into the psyche of Elvis fans.

Elvis may have died in August 1977, but every September, as Porthcawlians know well, the town is invaded by Elvis tribute acts.

A BBC spokeswoman said: "Attracting 35,000 visitors – the majority in costume – the madness that is the Porthcawl Elvis Festival is the biggest Elvis festival in the world."

"Our Lives: Mad

About Elvis, part of a new run of BBC One's *Our Lives* strand, follows the larger than life characters who like to lose themselves as Elvis, and explores why the lure of the American singer is still so intoxicating, 40 years on from his death.

"Among the rocking relics, revelers and devotees that pack the promenade and pubs is festival opener Darren 'Graceland' Jones, whose bread and butter is performing to dementia sufferers in care homes. He reveals how the Elvis persona provides a release from his own personal issues.

"Gordon Davis, who moved to Wales from his native Malta after a

rousing Porthcawl debut in 2009, is the fans' favourite and star of the brand new Classic Elvis Orchestra Show, premiering at the festival.

"Bringing them all together is organiser Peter Phillips, who recognises the social need the festival offers to those 'outside of the box'.

"What is it that drives people to the extremes of idolising and imitating Elvis?"

*Our Lives: Mad About Elvis* will be broadcast on Wednesday, June 20, BBC One Wales, 7.30pm.

**PLANS to build 20 homes in Pen y Fai on land owned by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) have been deferred until next month.**

The majority of the houses proposed are four and five-bedroom homes with a short terrace of three affordable homes, each having two bedrooms. The plans, submitted by Morganstone & Pennant Homes, went before the council's planning committee on June 7.

The 2.8 acre site, which is south of All Saints' Way, is referred to by officers as an area of vegetated sloping scrub and woodland. It includes a former quarry.

It is surrounded by existing residential development on three sides comprising small culs-de-sac of detached houses.

The plans have prompted 25 letters of objection with concerns over increased traffic, privacy, loss of light, noise pollution and the impact on wildlife.

Residents also claimed the consultation was "inadequate".

The application includes access, car parking, landscaping and associated engineering works.

It is proposed that a public Right of Way that runs through the site from north to south known as Footpath 29 – Newcastle Higher will be diverted to align with the new development.

A further re-consultation on amended plans relating to a new site layout plan prompted objections about the steepness of the footpath, preventing families with small children and prams, and elderly residents from using the path.

Further concerns were raised when residents said they were

unable to view plans on BCBC's website, which they said was inaccessible during the introduction of a new website.

Officers said that correspondence with residents provided a direct link to the application in order to avoid the problems.

Officers recommended the plans for approval saying they did not have a significantly adverse effect on the character

and appearance of the residential area or on the amenities of existing residential properties.

In a report which went before councillors, officers state: "While the site currently provides an area of openness and foliage, it is considered that the introduction of 20 new residential dwellings would be in keeping with the residential area."

The report adds: "While it is inevitable

that new development will have some impact on existing residents, it is considered that the impact will not be unacceptable in planning terms, particularly having regard to the mitigation measures proposed."

The application was deferred until the July 19 development control committee for further information surrounding drainage and the stability of the land.

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THE opening service for the church in Tondy was held on June 8, 1868, and to celebrate the 150th anniversary, the following special events have been organised.

Friday, June 15 at 7pm – Fish-and-chip supper and beetle drive (entry is £4 to include a small portion, and £5.50 to include a large portion.

Pre-booking is required).

Saturday, June 16 at 2pm and 6.30pm – Teddy bears' picnic and disco.

Sunday, June 17 at 10.30am – All-age worship.

All are welcome to these events, and for further information please telephone 01656 662671 or email j.jones503@btinternet.com.

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# PORTHCAWL MAYOR'S YEAR OF FUNDRAISING HELPS OUT EIGHT PORTHCAWL GROUPS

**CLLR Lorrie Desmond Williams, the outgoing Mayor of Porthcawl Town Council, recently presented cheques to her chosen charities for the year 2017/18 at Porthcawl YMCA.**

With the help of her charity committee, an impressive £10,000 was raised during her term in office.

CLLR Desmond Williams selected three main recipients who each received £3,000. These were Porthcawl Museum and Historical Society, National Coastwatch Institution Porthcawl and Porthcawl Sea Cadets.

A further five local charities were presented with cheques to the value of £200 each. These were 1st Nottage Scouts, Porthcawl Brownies (Trinity Church), Tools for Self Reliance Porthcawl, Porthcawl YMCA and Porthcawl Kidney Research Unit for Wales Foundation (KRUF).

All photos by David Swidenbank.



*A cheque is presented to Porthcawl Sea Cadets.*



*National Coastwatch Institution Porthcawl received their cheque from CLLR Lorrie Desmond Williams.*

## Cancer information coming to Bridgend

**MACMILLAN Cancer Support's Welsh information and support bus, Bronwen, will be visiting locations in Bridgend next week, including Maesteg and Brackla.**

'Bronwen' comes with her friendly team of

Macmillan information and support specialists, a team of frontline health and social care professionals with years of experience in caring and supporting people living with cancer.

The bus hosts two electronic information screens, a private room for sensitive conversations and two iPads to enable people to find the information they need on the spot. Macmillan would like to encourage anyone living nearby or simply passing by who has questions about cancer to come and say hello.

The team will be available with Bronwen bus today (Thursday, June 14) at the Triangle shopping centre in Brackla between 8am and 3pm.

Moray Hayman, Bronwen team lead cancer information and support specialist said: "We encourage anyone who has been affected by cancer to come and see us, whether they're living with cancer, have been recently diagnosed, caring for someone with cancer or worried about a loved one."

"As well as answering questions on the day, we can signpost to other cancer services in the

area and provide information on a range of issues, including financial advice and wellbeing."

Richard Pugh, head of services for Macmillan in Wales, said: "At Macmillan, we know how a cancer diagnosis can affect everything and we're here to support you."

"Our mobile information team travel around Wales and the rest of the UK visiting local communities, providing cancer information and advice on the ground."

"The new Welsh vehicle is smaller and lighter, and will help the team to access places Macmillan has previously not been able to get to, reaching even more people affected by cancer in the process."

For further information about Macmillan's mobile information service, and planned visits, go to [www.macmillan.org.uk/mobileinfo](http://www.macmillan.org.uk/mobileinfo). If you are unable to visit the unit but have questions about cancer, visit

[www.macmillan.org.uk](http://www.macmillan.org.uk) or call Macmillan free on 0808 808 00 00 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm).



*Porthcawl Museum and Historical Society receive their cheque.*



*The Mayor's Charity Committee.*

## Former mayor presents cheques for good causes

**LAST week CLLR Idris Williams presented two cheques of £2,500 each as a result of the mayor's charity, which ran during his term of office as Mayor of Maesteg.**

Receiving one cheque was Rhian Liddiard from Diabetes UK.

Stacy James and Helen Owen were also pleased to receive a cheque on behalf of Cefn Yr Afon in Bridgend.

CLLR Williams said: "I was very pleased with the support that I had from the people of Maesteg who gave generously and I want to thank my committee members for raising the £5,000."

Local organisations and choirs helped the committee with the fundraising, and the presentation evening was chaired by Tony Money.



*Rhian Liddiard received a cheque on behalf of Diabetes UK.*



*Stacy James and Helen Owen received a cheque on behalf of Cefn Yr Afon in Bridgend.*  
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# 'Politicians must bite the bullet over wildlife decline'

**THE state of the River Ogmore – and by extension rivers in the Vale – has come up in two recent editions of The GEM.**

In the May 24 edition, outgoing First Minister Carwyn Jones called UK standards for care of rivers in the days before the EU as "appalling". In the following edition, a reader suggested that a change in industry in the region since the 1970s should be considered as a reason.

Last week, a rallying cry to halt shocking wildlife declines in the countryside was made to members of the Welsh Assembly – Mr Jones was invited – from conservationists of the Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust (GWCT) Cymru.

Speakers from GWCT reinforced to local Assembly Members, researchers, and guests from other organisations how action is needed to save the countryside.

Dylan Roberts, head of fisheries for GWCT, spoke about the state of the rivers in Wales and regaled attendees with stories of how they looked when he was a boy which encouraged so many youngsters to fish.

He said in the 1980s and 1990s, Wales was the Mecca for sea trout – regional names abound, but called 'sewin' in Wales – worth an estimated £14 million every year and that the River Tywi supported an average rod catch of over 6,000 sewin a year, whereas since 2016, only 1,743 sewin were declared by Tywi anglers.

Salmon populations are also in a rapid rate of decline, with 21 out of 22 Welsh salmon rivers classed as 'at risk'.

"The deterioration in our rivers is a crisis yet pollutants of the waterways don't seem to be brought into account," he said.

"Although there were 3,000 pollution incidents in Wales over the past three years with almost 20 per cent coming from water companies, only a minor fraction was even investigated."

"Intensive agriculture is a major problem, but I don't blame farmers."

"Politicians must bite the bullet and put in place suitable policies to pay our farmers to protect the environment; current policies allow them to do the opposite but still allow them to be profitable food producers without the pressure to intensify."

In addition, only 37 per cent of freshwater bodies in Wales, as defined by the EU's Water Framework Directive, are classified as in good quality.

Duncan Sinclair, a gamekeeper, is part of a local moorland management project which is looking at boosting the number of ground-nesting birds by improving heather habitats through a Welsh Government/EU-funded Sustainable Management Scheme.

He said: "Our landscapes should be viewed as national heritage property that needs managing and maintaining."

"If they are to recover the number of declining numbers of bird species, strengthen their capacity to hold water and lock in carbon, as well as being amazing places to visit."

"It's a big ask and it needs huge investment to deliver this brief effectively."

"Gamekeepers work hundreds of hours a week for a modest pay

because they care passionately about the wildlife and what it supports, but they can't do it alone."

Amanda Perkins from Curlew Country, a project hosted by GWCT, added an emotional plea to the day by reiterating that only 400 pairs of curlews are left in Wales, plummeting 80 per cent in some 30 years.

She said: "Data collected over the past three years shows that from over 30 nests monitored in two years, no chicks survived to fledge."

"This is a very bleak picture indeed and although temporary electric fencing has been trialled and much closer collaboration with farmers has taken place, 50 per cent of the predation recorded using cameras on nests has been down to the fox, followed by around 25 per cent by badgers."

"In the race against time to save curlew, predation control is needed," she stressed.

"It is still such a difficult subject and many funders refuse to fund it which makes the success of these projects very unlikely."

"We need to have these uncomfortable conversations now if the curlew is going to be around for future generations, and we are running out of time."

There were also talks at the event on June 5 from rugby legend and Porthcawl resident Sir Gareth Edwards and GWCT Cymru chairman Nick Williams.

Mr Williams laid out his hope for the Welsh public and policy to work together to give the nation's countryside a better future.

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# UNIVERSAL CREDIT IS COMING TO BRIDGEND

**UNIVERSAL Credit will now support all claimant types in Bridgend, including people with disabilities, families and low earners, as well as jobseekers.**

Families on Universal Credit who move into work can claim back up to 85 per cent of their eligible childcare costs, potentially boosting their finances by over £13,000 a year. From April 2018, families and disabled people on Universal Credit in work now keep more of what they earn.

From June 6 more people across Bridgend will benefit from a tailored welfare system, receiving additional support to move into and progress within work.

This comes as the Universal Credit service expands to people in and out of work, those on low incomes, families, and those with disabilities.

Universal Credit is simplifying the system and revolutionising welfare by making work pay. It also helps those who are in work to increase their hours and earnings.

Universal Credit replaces six benefits with one monthly payment and is already being claimed in Bridgend by over 480 single jobseekers; from today, anyone in Bridgend who would previously have made a claim to Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Employment and Support Allowance, Income support, Working and Child Tax Credit and Housing Benefit will instead claim Universal Credit.

A £1.5bn package of improvements making it easier for people moving onto Universal Credit was announced in the Budget. People applying to Universal Credit can now receive a 100 per cent advance on their

first payment and the seven-day waiting period for new claimants was removed earlier this year. Among other improvements, from April 2018 the Government also continues to pay Housing Benefit claimants' rent for two weeks – which is non-recoverable – when moving onto Universal Credit.

Minister for Employment Alok Sharma said: "Universal Credit is central to our commitment to help families improve their lives by moving into work. We know it's working – with Universal Credit people are moving into work faster and staying in work longer than under the old system."

In Bridgend single jobseekers are already receiving support from their dedicated work coach to find employment or increase their hours and earnings. Now, all types of claimants will be able to benefit from the

improved, personalised, one-to-one support that Universal Credit offers.

Helen Matthews, local Jobcentre Plus employer and partnership manager, said: "Universal Credit offers tailored support, which includes more personalised help from a work coach. The new system is also more flexible, which means people can take on short-term work to develop their skills and build up their experience."

"We'd encourage anyone who needs extra help or information to come and talk to their work coach."

Those on Universal Credit will now have 24-hour access to an online account that they can use to manage their claim, including reporting changes of circumstances, checking the details of their claim and date of their next Universal Credit payment.

With the application process now completely online, Universal Credit streamlines the system, making benefits simpler

to navigate and easier to understand.

Under Universal Credit, claimants are better off when they move into work because the benefit gradually decreases as they earn more; smoothing the path to employment and replacing the benefits cliff edge of the past. As part of this, the Work Allowance – the amount someone can earn before their Universal Credit is reduced – increased by 3 per cent from April 2018.

This means a working family not in receipt of housing support are able to earn £409 per month before their benefit claim is affected.

Further support for working families under Universal Credit means that those who move into work can claim back up to 85 per cent of their eligible childcare costs, potentially boosting their finances by over £13,000 a year.

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# Bridgend man (60) had child pornography on computer

A FORMER Court, writes AJ member of the Royal Navy who was found to have pornographic images of children on his computer has been given a community order for one year at Cardiff Crown

Carr, of Bryntirion, Bridgend, admitted three charges of possessing indecent images of children, possessing extreme pornography and possessing cannabis bush. The community order involves rehabilitation for 25 days.

He was ordered to pay costs of £340 and a court surcharge of £85.

In addition, the court made a Sexual Harm Prevention Order for five years.

Mr Broadstock said that on January 26, police went to Carr's address and seized a number of electronic devices.

On the way to the police station, Carr said: "I've been waiting for this day for a long time."

He pointed out that he was guilty. When the computers were analysed, there were images, both still and moving, involving three degrees of seriousness.

There were also a number of extreme pornographic images.

Said Judge Neil Bidder QC: "This was dreadful abuse of children."

Mr Broadstock said Carr had had "problems with pornography" which he had obtained from the internet. Carr had said that curiosity had got the better of him; he was disgusted with himself and knew what he was doing was wrong and illegal.

There was no evidence, said Mr Broadstock, that Carr had communicated with others and he used cannabis occasionally to alleviate stress and anxiety.

His admissions, he said, were full and frank. The Judge said that 95 per cent of defendants facing such charges were not as frank.

Mr Chudleigh said Carr would engage with whatever sentence the court passed.

He was, he said, a full time carer for his sick father.

Said the Judge: "You were entirely frank with the police after becoming addicted to this revolting material. You told the police everything."

He said if his frankness continued when he was interviewed by the probation service then there was a good prospect of rehabilitation.

Carr, said Judge Bidder, had been under a great deal of strain and caring for his parents had been a tremendous burden.

"You are a man of positive good character and your family is standing by you."



Apprentice Thomas Lewis with David Chandler the managing director of Blues Electrical.

## Apprentice to represent UK in 'Euroskills'

AN apprentice from Maesteg has been selected to represent the UK at Europe's largest vocational skills competition to be held in Budapest in September.

The biannual EuroSkills competition involves young adults aged 18-25 from across Europe competing for medals in 35 different areas of vocational skill, from engineering to construction, digital to creative.

Thomas Lewis, 22, from Maesteg, Bridgend is an apprentice at Blues Electrical, an electrical construction firm in Cardiff, and a Cardiff and Vale College student.

He will compete in the electrical installation category.

Part funded by the European Social Fund, EuroSkills provides an opportunity to share best practice, improve the status and attraction of vocational training, while raising standards on an international scale.

## Llynfi life seen through a lens

CALLING all smartphone snappers, budding David Baileys\* and professional photographers to submit their pics in a competition with a difference.

Maesteg Town Hall will play host to the town's first ever 24-hour photomathon from 12 noon on Saturday, July 7 until 12 noon on Saturday, July 8.

Participants of all ages and abilities will have to take a photograph to represent 10 different topics in order, which they will be given on the first morning of the event.

At the start of the challenge, each entrant will have their phone or camera and memory card checked and verified.

At the end of the Photomathon, all the images will be collated and printed, before a panel of judges meet to decide the winning photograph from each topic.

Prizes will be awarded for the best interpretation of the topics and have been donated by local shops and businesses.

Each photograph will be displayed at a public exhibition at Maesteg Town Hall on Saturday, July 14.

Andre Van Wyk of Awen Cultural Trust, which manages Maesteg Town Hall on behalf of Bridgend County Borough Council, said:

"Photomathon is a global phenomenon with 74 competitions worldwide, including Melbourne, Hong Kong, Toronto, Argentina, and now Maesteg."

"Our event is open to anyone with a digital camera or phone, who just want to have lots of fun taking pictures of their local community. I am looking forward to seeing the imagination and creativity of everyone involved and seeing how they capture the 'essence' of the Llynfi Valley through a lens."

"Maesteg photomathon is part of the 'Ein Neuadd, Ein Stori' / 'Our Hall, Our Story' project, which will celebrate and share Maesteg's heritage, history, stories and memories, as told by local groups and people, which we can weave into the redevelopment plans for the Town Hall."

"We are grateful to Arts Council of Wales, Heritage Lottery Fund and Bridgend County Borough Council for supporting this project."

For full entry details, including costs and booking, visit [www.mae.stegtownhall.com/events/3604-photomathon](http://www.mae.stegtownhall.com/events/3604-photomathon).

\*For anyone under the age of 30, he is a photographer famed for his 'Swinging London' fashion work and portraiture, including of the Kray Twins.

## Maesteg band night a success at town hall



Pardon Madam. Images by Phil Davies, Scenic Gallery.

A BAND night took place at Maesteg Town Hall on June 9, with three local groups playing - Calypso Acoustic, Jeris Duo and Pardon Madam.

Each played their own different style of music with Calypso Acoustic and Jeris Duo being female singer accompanied with guitar, while Pardon Madam was a four-piece band that had members of the audience up on their feet tapping their toes.

The next day Channel 5's children programme *Milkshake Live* played to a town hall of children with their parents.

Characters like Bob the Builder, Little Princess, Noddy, Fireman Sam, Winnie and Wilbur, and many more enthralled the children in a fast moving, bright and colourful show.

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Calypso Acoustic.



Jeris Duo.

## Sker WI members have an eventful May

THE poets have dubbed it 'The Merry Month of May', and it was certainly an eventful month for Sker WI this year.

Although not always 'merry' it was certainly memorable.

A visit to Swansea's Grand Theatre on May 2 took members back in time to 1930s America with the cast of *Crazy For You*.

Stars including the lovely Claire Sweeney, *Strictly Come Dancing* winner Tom Chambers and the equally-talented Charlotte Wakefield, together with an impressively versatile ensemble of singers and musicians, delighted and enchanted the audience with their performance of George and Ira Gershwin's charming musical love story.

Members definitely left the theatre with a song in their hearts.

Mid-month there was a change for Sker WI when 42 members attended the annual meeting at St David's Church Hall.

hard work in the role. Members thanked her wholeheartedly for all her efforts over the years and Nora handed over the baton to Eunice Howells, who accepted the role after being voted for by members in a secret ballot.

WI advisor Sylvia Tittley officiated at the AGM and again congratulated Sker WI on continuing as a happy and successful WI.

She wished Nora best wishes and gratitude for her service and continued involvement with Sker. Sylvia also thanked Eunice for stepping into the role of president.

On May 11, six members of Sker WI went back in time for the second time when they attended the launch of the outstanding exhibition being staged by Cwm Brombil Ladies WI at Margam Abbey.

The exhibition on the role of women in the First World War is a wonderful example of how women have always contributed to the basic fabric of society and often form the strong foundation that civilisation is built on. Sker WI stands in awe of the fantastic work that Cwm Brombil Ladies

have put in to create this exhibition.

You can visit this free exhibition at Margam Abbey any day until November 10, and you can also book group visits with afternoon tea.

Details can be found by visiting our Facebook page or contacting Anne Evans on 01639 882554.

The month ended on a high note with members taking advantage of the beautiful spring weather on a day trip to Cwm Deri vineyard.

This beautiful winery in Pembrokeshire plays host to many groups and offers many amenities and activities including weddings. Members had a thoroughly enjoyable and relaxing day.

Our next meeting will be on June 14 at 7pm at St David's Church Hall, Nottage village.

Our guest speaker will be Phil Styles who will talk to us about the Coastwatch service. The monthly competition is 'something beginning with O'.

You can find out more at our Facebook page: [SkerWI@NottageVillage](https://www.facebook.com/SkerWI@NottageVillage) - a special reminder to members to like and contribute to our page.

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## Lions donate to Guide Dogs



BRIDGEND Lions Club's president Patrick Halliwell is pictured handing a cheque for £1,000 to a delighted Norah Clarke, chair of Bridgend Guide Dogs Cymru fundraising group.

Norah, who attended a Lions' dinner meeting at The Pheasant, Penyfaï gave an informative talk on what is involved in training these intelligent animals to become good, faithful guide dogs and how such donations immensely help blind or partially sighted persons become more independent and confident in living their lives.

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# DWP releases application details for foreign nationals

**FEWER EU citizens are registering for national insurance numbers in Bridgend county borough than before the Brexit vote, the latest figures reveal, but the trend is reversed in the Vale of Glamorgan.**

The statistics, from the Department for Work and Pensions, show how many foreign nationals have successfully applied for NI numbers, which are required to work or claim benefits.

In the 12 months up to March this year, 163 people from the EU registered for NI numbers in Bridgend.

In the year before June 2016, the month of the referendum, 281 people registered.

However in the Vale, the number of immigrants from the EU registering for

NI numbers has increased.

In the year before June 2016, the month of the referendum, 172 EU citizens registered for NI numbers.

Last year, however, 285 Europeans registered.

The number of applicants from outside the EU has, however, increased in Bridgend. A total of 50 people from the rest of the world registered for NI numbers in the 12 months up to March, a rise of 18 on the period before Brexit.

Once again in contrast, in the Vale, the number of applicants from outside the EU has decreased.

A total of 40 people from the rest of the world registered for NI numbers in the 12 months up to March, a drop of 47 on the period before Brexit.

The DWP said the figures should not be used to indicate immigration levels, as foreign nationals could have been in the country for some time before applying for an NI number.

## French bulldog breeding business gets go-ahead

**A FRENCH bulldog breeding business in Bridgend has been given planning permission to expand despite concerns over potential noise and odour issues and lack of space to exercise the animals.**

The business in Laleston went before councillors sitting on the planning committee of Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) on Thursday June 7.

Two letters of objection raised concerns over noise nuisance, odour, extra traffic and the development being unsuitable for the area.

Merthyr Mawr Community Council objected saying there was "no area" to exercise dogs and

puppies, and the design of the building had "small windows, light and ventilation issues".

Officers had recommended the application by Mr A Mallett be approved subject to conditions saying the plans did not adversely affect residential amenities and the size of the site was considered adequate to exercise the dogs.

The plans involve a new building for dog breeding and a change of use of the land from residential to a mixed use of both residential and the dog breeding business.

The building, which will house four kennels, will be around 7m by 7m with an overall height of 4.7m.

As part of the planning permission, the number of puppies, pets and working dogs kept on the site cannot be more than 20 and no sales of dogs or puppies

can take place from the site.

The plans relate solely to the breeding of four French bulldogs with each dog delivering one litter of up to 4-5 puppies within a 12 month period.

Officers said the house on the site was currently used for dog breeding with several of the existing dogs being working dogs which were used in connection with the applicant's part time estate game keeping duties.

In a report on the plans, officers stated: "The applicant has advised that the waste generated by the proposed development will be retained in a sealed container and disposed of in the site's cesspit."

"Animal welfare and concerns over light and ventilation for the dogs is not a material planning consideration and is addressed under other legislation and licensing requirements."

"The size of the site is considered adequate to exercise the dogs and in any event this could also be undertaken off site."

The council's public protection officer had initially raised an objection to the site of the building due to the potential impact of noise on one of the neighbours.

But the officer withdrew the objection when the building was relocated away from neighbouring properties.

Officers said they considered the noise would not have an unacceptable impact on homes nearby due to the large field separating neighbours from the business, adding one of the conditions involves the sound insulation of the building.

Councillors voted unanimously in favour of the plans on Thursday at the Development Control Committee.

## 'Dynamic' £100,000 refurb for Pyle library

**ALMOST £100,000 will be invested in Pyle Library later this autumn, thanks to a transformation capital grant from the Museums, Archives and Libraries Division of Welsh Government and match-funding from Awen Cultural Trust.**

The funding will be used to redevelop and refurbish the library into a large, lighter and brighter, accessible open space, so that it can be used as a more flexible and functional area by the everyone.

The existing large and imposing reception desk and four air-conditioning columns will be removed to open up the space.

The walls will be redecorated, the flooring replaced, and new shelving and furniture installed.

There will also be quiet 'nooks and crannies' and work stations with additional power points, improved wifi and charging facilities.

Richard Hughes, chief executive of Awen Cultural Trust, which runs the library services on behalf of Bridgend County Borough Council, said: "Pyle Library, and the Life Centre where it is co-located are the mainstay of the local community; a safe and welcoming space where people and groups can meet up, take part in a huge array of activities or simply enjoy the relaxed surroundings."

"Pyle Library is often the 'go to' place in the area for helpful advice and support with literacy, digital skills, employment resources, and is a key partner in a number of successful health and wellbeing initiatives including the dementia-friendly Memory Lane Café."

"It has been 18 years since the library was last renovated, and individual and community needs have certainly changed over that time."

"By removing some of the now-dated physical barriers into the library, including the large front desk, and

using furniture and storage which can be easily moved around to create multi-functional, dynamic spaces to suit different purposes and events, we hope to encourage even more people into the library, more often."

Cllr Richard Young, BCBC's Cabinet Member for Communities, said: "Major investments such as this are precisely why we chose the innovative approach of establishing a cultural trust in 2015 to run many local facilities including libraries."

"At a time when other local authorities have had to cut library services due to reduced funding from central government, our bold approach has offered a different but bright future for cultural services."

"Working in partnership with the Awen Cultural Trust helps us to achieve our ambitions of encouraging a passion for reading and knowledge, particularly among the younger generation, and putting culture and learning at the heart of our communities."

The Transformation Capital Grant Programme supports museums, archives and libraries to transform services and ensure their future sustainability with over £1.35 million of capital funding to develop and enhance their facilities and services.

Announcing the funding, the Minister for Culture, Tourism and Sport, Lord Elis-Thomas, said: "The Welsh Government remains committed to supporting these important services. This fund will widen access for our communities, promoting cultural engagement, providing learning opportunities and supporting community cohesion and prosperity. I look forward to visiting the new facilities in due course, and encourage everyone to see what their local museum, archive or library has to offer."

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**Family History Society**  
The next meeting of the Bridgend branch of the Glamorgan Family History Society will be held at Ty'r Ardd (Family History Centre, Sunnyside Bridgend (CF314AR) on Monday, June 18.

The speaker will be John Dunkley-Williams. Doors open 7pm, refreshments available. All welcome.

For all the latest news from your area - [glamorgan-gem.co.uk](http://glamorgan-gem.co.uk)

## 'Gwyl Maesteg Festival' hosts art workshops



**THE 'Gwyl Maesteg Festival' ran a number of workshops at local schools led by Britain's Got Talent finalist Nathan Wyburn.**

Mr Wyburn's portraits using food and other materials were presented to the children through the medium of video.

A question and answer session for the children followed.

The children were already aware of Mr Wyburn's work and presented their own work and projects during his visit.

A highlight of this session was a presentation to Mr Wyburn at one school showing they had 'done their homework'.

The workshops ended with the children creating their own 'big piece of art' based on Mr Wyburn's audition for *Britain's Got Talent*.

Using 100 pieces of toast, which could have been eaten, they created their school logo.

Each pupil contributed to the mosaic of toast and Marmite.

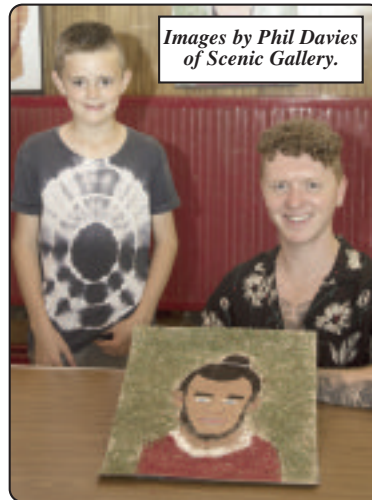
Creating the 'art work' covered all the key skills required through a creative and fun, if rather wasteful task.

Initial workshops were the inspiration that resulted in the pieces on display.

Children worked individually and in groups to create their own art using food and materials, some connected to the people they had chosen to base the piece on, such as Tom Jones.

He was painted in a homemade paint from "green green grass" pulp, mud and grass.

*Images by Phil Davies of Scenic Gallery.*



Mrs Evans of class 5 Cwmfelin Primary School described it as:

"A fantastic and fun opportunity for the children to work collaboratively to demonstrate such wonderful creativity!"

The tasks and ideas in the workshops crossed over a few projects in schools that were also then featured in the exhibition.

Garth Primary year-4 presented mixed media pieces from digital photographs and

materials found in a forest environment.

Year-2 and reception classes joined in the fun creating animals and characters from woodland materials and everyday household items.

Year-6 pupils in Cwmfelin and Llangynwyd Primary Schools have been involved in a multi-media project around the topic of dragons and some of the artwork from the project also featured in the exhibition. AS





Some of the candidates who completed the construction course, with their certificates, from left: Liam Griffiths, Lloyd Davies, Morgan Hayes, Betty Lee, Scott Evans, Ceiron Ellis, Neil Doughty and Scot Lewis.

## Building a new career in construction industry

**A GROUP of unemployed locals are building careers in construction after completing a new training programme in Bridgend.**

Partnership homes developer Lovell and Hafod Housing organised the Prepare to Construct course, run in conjunction with Bridgend College, the local Job Centre, apprentice training company Y Prentis and Involve Recruitment.

Eleven trainees took part in the two-week course which included an introduction to different construction trades and health and safety training. Nine gained their Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) card, a requirement for anyone working

on a construction site.

The candidates were also offered a week's work experience on a major new homes development at Coychurch Road, Bridgend, where Lovell is building 48 homes for Hafod.

The training programme was so successful that five of the trainees have now got jobs as labourers or are apprentices with Lovell or through Y Prentis. Lovell is also looking to arrange training positions for the other candidates with some of its subcontractor partners.

Another trainee is set to go to college and plans to return for further work experience with Lovell.

Neil Doughty, from Pencoed, took part in the Prepare to

Construct course after being made redundant from his job as a porter at Asda.

"I've worked in construction before and the course has helped me get back into the industry," said Neil, 44, who has been taken on as a labourer by Involve Recruitment at the Coychurch Road scheme.

"The course was well-run and has enabled me to update my training and obtain my CSCS card. After completing it, I did work experience at the Coychurch Road development and during that time, a vacancy came up which I was offered.

"It's worked out really well and I'm very grateful for the help it's given me to get back into the building business."

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## HERE'S TO YOU, MRS ROBINSON... Maesteg loved you more than you will know!



**THIS year Maesteg Drama staged a production of the *The Graduate*.**

James Owen, who played Ben, had an exceptional evening and was on stage in almost every scene.

The production was professionally produced by Alan Flay and all the actors performed well.

At times, the 150-minute play was accompanied by Simon and Garfunkel music and the audience seemed to love it.

The cast (from left) back row: Sarah Thomas (Mrs Robinson), Steve Jenkins (Mr Robinson), Bella Hopkins (wedding guest), Tracy Lewis (wedding

hotel guest), Sally Richards (stripper), Bethan Sky (hotel clerk), Sian Rees (hotel clerk), Vickie Owen (bar manager), Huw Williams (priest). Front row, Lowrie Jones (Elaine Robinson), James Owen (Ben Braddock), Judith Flower (Mrs Braddock) and Jim Lediard (Mr Braddock).

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### Kitty's Blues and Swing

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### Porthcawl Lions Club correction

**IN last week's report on Porthcawl Lions Club's charity golf day at the Grove Golf Club, the credit for the day's photographs was incorrect.**

The photographer was, in fact, Mr Larry Pearce.



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# Rethink on 'moronic' glamping proposal

**PLANS to lease out acres of two popular Vale country parks for glamping sites have been scaled back by the council.**

On June 6, the Vale Council decided to drop plans for parts of Porthkerry Country Park to be turned into a site for "high-quality camping pods".

Plans for a similar scheme at Cosmeston Lakes will need further detail before being taken any further following an announcement by the council's cabinet.

The cabinet had approved the scheme but was met with public outcry against the plans after more than 2,000 people signed a petition to halt the scheme at Porthkerry.

A council environment and regeneration scrutiny committee expressed its disapproval of the plans and sent it back to the cabinet following a 'call-in' by Labour councillor Lis Burnett over fears of "creeping privatisation" of the land and leaving it

off-limits to the public.

Cllr Jonathan Bird, cabinet member for regeneration and planning, recommended the council change its plans following the concerns, which the cabinet accepted.

Cllr John Thomas, leader of Vale Council, said: "It's important to note there was a lot of public concern about the proposals in Porthkerry and cabinet have reacted in a suitable manner to halt these proposals."

The council had previously said it was exploring commercial opportunities to make the parks more financially sustainable.

Critics questioned the lack of detail in the proposal such as how much money could be made from the changes and how widely publicised it had been before the original decision was made.

Plaid Cymru councillor Steffan Wiliam, who was part of the committee which sent the glamping plans back to cabinet, said: "I'm delighted because

lots of local people and from further afield are glad Porthkerry can now maintain its natural beauty and not become something sanitised, synthetic and overdeveloped.

"It was a moronic proposal and utterly unnecessary. Overdeveloping Porthkerry Park would turn it into something people don't want to visit."

Rob Curtis, co-ordinator for the campaign and petition calling for no commercial development at Porthkerry Country park, said he still had concerns about Cosmeston.

"I welcome the Vale Council's u-turn on seeking the commercial development of Porthkerry Country Park but am concerned that they are continuing to seek the commercial development of Cosmeston Country Park."

"Following the 'State of Nature Report', it is vital that all areas of government do their utmost to conserve the remaining biodiversity we have left in the UK, not seek to develop them!"

"We will continue to monitor the decisions of the Vale Council to ensure they follow wildlife friendly policies at Porthkerry."

He added: "Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank all the 2,350 people who signed our online petition and the local residents who displayed our posters; without them, the Vale Council would never have listened." **GR**

## On song with the Spectrum Singers

**A PENARTH choir is raising money in support of Refugee Week for local charities Croeso Penarth and Shareddyd with a concert of music 'inspired' by the recent Royal Wedding.**

The concert takes place during Refugee Week on Monday, June 18 and marries works by American and British composers performed by Spectrum Singers.

Earlier this year, the chamber choir premiered a new choral work celebrating the Vale on BBC Radio 3, as part of the Making Music's Adopt a Composer project.

Musical director David Hutchings said: "We first performed this concert programme on the day of the Royal Wedding and it was amazing how many elements of the day were reflected in the music

from Californian blue skies and sunshine in a Beach Boys medley to a show-stopping Deep South spiritual.

We even had a bit of McCartney to round off the evening..."

Crisis, the national charity for homeless people, was one of the charities chosen to benefit from donations marking the wedding of Prince Harry and Ms Meghan Markle. In line with the royal couple's charitable causes, Croeso Penarth is working towards providing a home for a Syrian refugee family, while Shareddyd arranges temporary accommodation with volunteer hosts for those seeking asylum.

A number of Spectrum Singers' choristers raise their voices in support of refugees and asylum seekers.

Baritone David Bacon supports Shareddyd and the Wales-wide Nation of Sanctuary project. He said: "With so many people

world-wide fleeing conflict or persecution it's great to be able to do something, however small, to help those who come to our locality to rebuild their lives and in time contribute to our community.

"So many members of the Welsh Assembly and Government want to do what they can to provide a welcome to those seeking sanctuary here and so I was delighted that we could help in this year's choral invitation to our annual Sanctuary in the Senedd awareness-raising event."

United - An Evening Concert with Spectrum Singers at Tabernacle Baptist Church, Plassey Street, Penarth is on Monday, June 18 at 7.30pm.

Entrance is free and there will be an opportunity to make donations and talk with representatives of Croeso Penarth and Shareddyd.

Further information: [www.spectrumingers.org.uk](http://www.spectrumingers.org.uk). **AS**

## Village show in Peterston

**THE village of Peterston-super-Ely is holding its annual flower show on Saturday, June 30, 2.30pm to 5pm in the church and community hall.**

There are floral, fruit and vegetable, culinary and children's classes in the show.

Admission is £1 (children free) and more information can be obtained from the Hon Secretary, Huw Potter (01446 760672). The closing date for entries is Wednesday, June 27.

**For all the latest news from your area - [glamorgan-gem.co.uk](http://glamorgan-gem.co.uk)**



*Rob Curtis celebrated the council's decision by putting up a nesting box. He said: "This is the only development that should be allowed at Porthkerry."*

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## Kidney charity seeks support for walk



Barney Meredith

### Bridgend Quiz League teasers

HERE are this week's teasers from the Bridgend Quiz League:

1. Brassica oleracea is better known as what?
2. What mountain is the highest point in the Brecon Beacons?

3. Which composer stated 'I shall hear in Heaven'?

Answers:  
1. Cabbage  
2. Penylan  
3. Beethoven.

THE Kidney Wales Walk for Life is in Pencoed this weekend, as local fundraisers lace-up their walking boots in a bid to raise funds for the charity.

Taking place on Sunday, June 17, the walk will begin at the Pencoed Social Club before setting off around Pencoed for a family friendly 5k walk, followed by refreshments provided by the social club and a raffle.

The walk is set to begin at 11am, with walkers being urged to arrive for 10.30am to ensure that they have plenty of time to register.

The Pencoed walk is organised by the Kidney Wales head of finance, Samantha Meredith, whose involvement in the charity derives from her son Barney's treatment for kidney disease.

Barney was born with PUV (Posterior Urethral Valves), a condition that affects kidney functionality and may result in him requiring a kidney transplant in the future.

Despite his young age, Barney himself has also contributed to raising awareness of Kidney Wales' cause - having been the face of the

charity's 2017 campaign.

Speaking on the upcoming walk, Samantha said: "It's incredibly uplifting to see people from the community give up their own time to raise money and spread awareness for Kidney Wales."

"Having experienced the great work that the charity does first hand - not only through my position in Kidney Wales but also through the support given to Barney - I know just how important these fundraising walks are."

"Plenty of work has gone into making this walk happen and we cannot wait for the weekend to come around as it's a fun day that helps raise money as well as awareness for the Charity."

Among other activities, funds raised by Kidney Wales pay for play therapists for children like Barney to be entertained while they have their bloods checked and provide support workers for affected families.

For further information, call 02920 343 940 or email wfl@kidney.wales.cymru.

## DNA on the menu at dinner

DR Rhian Morgan spoke to the Rotary Club of Bridgend after a dinner meeting at the Heronston Hotel on June 4.

Dr Morgan, a D.Phil in molecular genetics who has worked in the academic, industrial and clinical research fields and is now specialising in genetics education, works for the Institute of Medical Genetics at Cardiff University.

She addressed the club about DNA and forensic science, how DNA fingerprinting was first discovered, and its applications. CS



### Too much 'virtue signalling' from the new Mayor

HOW brave it was of Bridgend's new mayor to indulge in virtue-signalling by inviting his inauguration guests to bring donations for a foodbank.

Brave, because powers have been devolved to a Welsh Labour government for 19 years, and poverty eradication is a stated aim of the Welsh Government.

By his virtue-signalling, Mayor

McCarthy has highlighted his party's, and the Welsh Government's, failure to tackle poverty.

Incidentally, Mayor McCarthy also states he wishes to support the diverse cultures and ethnicities in the county borough. This is more first-rate virtue-signalling.

According to ONS figures, Bridgend is 98.4 per cent white.

That leaves a very small percentage and number of those in the so-called 'diverse ethnic groups' for him

to support, around 2,100 residents, all told. Alasdair Forbes, Bridgend.

From left: Hopkin Joseph (president elect); Dr Rhian Morgan; and Allan Jones.

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# Council 'needs to make more cuts' in highways services

**SCHOOL crossing patrols, shopmobility services and the remaining subsidised bus services in Bridgend county are under threat as the local authority looks to make further savings.**

In a report going before Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) on Tuesday, June 12, officers working in the highways services department say future financial savings present "a significant challenge" and warn non-statutory services are likely to be cut.

The report states: "The highways service will have to continue to consider those services that are not a statutory provision and the realistic level of service for those services that are statutory."

"Such considerations would extend to areas that have previously been highlighted for consideration such as the school crossing patrol service, council-subsidised bus services, shopmobility services, service level for highway maintenance, structures and staffing."

In the council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy there are proposals to cut funding for the school crossing patrol service next year by a third – around £20,000.

The strategy also warns the shopmobility service could close unless it can recover the council's annual funding of £20,000 in 2019-20.

The service helps all people who consider themselves to have mobility problems whether through disability, illness or injury to continue to get around city and town centres independently.

The report informs councillors on the impact of ongoing cuts being made to cope with annual reductions in Welsh Government funding.

Since 2010 the highways services

budget has been reduced by £4m and it has led to staffing numbers in some teams being reduced by up to 50 per cent.

The highways service has tried to "minimise the impact" on frontline services by doing things differently but admits with the reduced numbers there is added pressure on remaining staff, who still have to deliver the same workload and manage increasing demands from new legislative frameworks.

Officers say in the report that while functions are still being delivered the response times for "non-priority areas" such as cutting back vegetation have increased and the ability to deliver "anything outside of the core activities has diminished".

It means the council is having to use contractors for any work outside its core activities which it says has implications on workload with commissioning, monitoring and quality checking of any outsourced work being necessary.

The report will go before the subject overview and scrutiny committee on Tuesday.

BCBC is responsible for highways across the county including:

- 799km of carriageway.
- 883km of footway.
- 24,853 road gullies & associated drainage lines/chambers.
- 101 road bridges.
- 102 footbridges.
- 55 retaining walls.
- 20,000 street lights.
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- 46 light controlled junctions.
- 283 bus shelters.
- 35 cattle grids.

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## Landlord is fined

**A BRIDGEND landlord who failed to take proper fire safety precautions has been left with a court bill of £5,250.**

Peter Durston, of Newbridge Gardens, had also failed to correctly licence his rental property in Ewenny Road.

In November 2017 officers from Shared Regulatory Services – which covers Bridgend County Borough, Vale of Glamorgan and Cardiff – carried out an inspection following suspicions that the property was being operated as a 'House in Multiple Occupation' (HMO) without the required licence being in place.

An HMO is a house or flat occupied by three or more tenants, who form two or more households and share amenities such as bathrooms or kitchens. Houses with three or more storeys and five or more tenants also need to have an HMO licence.

Officers confirmed that Mr Durston's property was being occupied by five tenants so should have been licenced as an HMO. During the same inspection, a number of breaches were also identified which

included failure to keep a fire escape route clear of obstruction and failure to ensure that the fire alarms were maintained in good working order.

Mr Durston was also found not to have taken reasonable measures required to protect the occupants in the event of an emergency. Fire doors and frames were ill fitting to two bedrooms, another bedroom had no fire door at all, the fire doors opening onto the escape route were not fitted with self-closing devices, while both the front and rear doors required a key to exit.

The windows to the ground floor rear bedroom, which was an inner room, did not have keys so they could not be used as escape windows in the event of a fire; and there were doors stacked against the escape windows in the rear yard which would have prevented them being used safely.

Officers also found that Mr Durston had failed to ensure that the common parts of the property were maintained to a good, clean and safe condition, or kept reasonably clear from obstruction. The bannister to the second floor landing was in disrepair with a section

missing, while the living room was obstructed with a mattress, bedframe and other items. The first floor WC pan was cracked and the ground floor WC pan was missing the lid.

Further breaches included Mr Durston failing to ensure that outbuildings, yards and forecourts were kept in a clean condition, as both the central yard and rear garden had accumulations of rubbish including interior doors.

Mr Durston pleaded guilty at Cardiff Magistrates Court on May 18 to offences under the Housing Act 2004 in failing to obtain an HMO licence for the property, failing to provide documents required by a Section 235 Housing Act 2004 notice and in breaching the Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation (Wales) Regulations 2006.

Mr Durston was ordered to pay fines and costs totalling £5,250 and is now no longer deemed a 'fit and proper' person so will need to appoint a manager to manage the property.

Rent Smart Wales has also been notified.

BCBC

## PROMOTION

# Porthcawl pair shed 13 stone

**A PORTHCAWL couple, Mandy and Glynn Aubrey, have shared their experience at their local Slimming World group – where they have lost 13 stone between them.**

**I**N May last year, we decided enough was enough and we were going to do something about our weight.

My diabetes was beginning to take over my life. I felt constantly tired, I had pain in my feet due to nerve damage and I was taking so much medication.

My manager at work had started Slimming World and suggested that we give it a try. I have tried every diet there is and only saw this as another faddy diet but I thought I would give it a go.

Luckily, my husband Glynn is totally supportive of everything I do and joined with me.

Facing the truth about your weight is one of the hardest things to do and I will admit to bursting into tears almost as soon as I walked in through the door.

The class we go to is run by Bev and her team of helpers and they are so friendly, supportive and non-judgemental. Looking at the figures on the scale made us determined.

We eat healthily following the plan, you are given all the information, tools and support you need to food optimise. Making informed choices including unlimited potatoes, pasta and rice, in fact the list of 'free foods' is immense, we eat so much!

After that first week, we lost 6.5 and 8.5 lbs respectively and the weight continues to come off steadily.

I think one of the keys to our weight loss is staying in class and taking part in Image Therapy.

In class you will pick up tips, you give and receive support, every loss is celebrated. If you have a gain, then you can talk it through with someone who will have an idea to help and you will walk out of class feeling great, no matter what.

We are able to go out and enjoy meals, with some alcohol and still lose weight. Food optimising at Christmas meant that we still came in with a loss. The Slimming World plan fits in with family and social life really well.

I increased my activity – even buying a

Fitbit so I could keep track.

Glynn has some mobility problems and was unable to join me in this part of the journey, but it shows that the Slimming World plan, although it supports exercise through its Body Magic section, does not depend on exercise, so this plan is flexible enough for everyone on every level.

Both of us have arthritis but as the weight came off, I found I could go a little bit further. I even signed up for and completed Cancer Relief's Race for Life this year. I walked the 5k but completed it in 54 minutes.

Not only have we lost weight, increased activity and boosted our confidence, Glynn has been promoted at work and we have a whole new wardrobe of clothes that has just been waiting for us all these years.

But the best thing of all for me personally? No more diabetic meds, no more feeling tired or depressed, no more pain in my feet or the fear of losing my toes. Blood pressure pills have gone. Now, I cannot stop smiling.

Glynn is so close to his target loss and I still have another five stone to lose, but I know I can do it, it is possible.

If someone had told me last year that I would lose weight, reverse my diabetic blood results and be doing a 5km charity walk or be walking into clothes shops knowing they will stock our sizes, have promotion at work and start enjoying life again, I would have laughed at them.

In the 12 months since we joined we have lost over 13 stones between us.

The class has a sign at the entrance that says "Strangers are just friends you haven't met yet." Come and join us and start your own journey – what have you got to lose but weight?

Mandy and Glynn are members of Beverley Rosser-Smith's group in Porthcawl. Bev runs two classes every Monday at the Hi-Tide Inn, Mackworth Road, at 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

She has another class, on Wednesdays at 9.30am, this time in Trinity Church, John Street, Porthcawl.



Mandy and Glynn before.



Glynn and Mandy Aubrey now, having lost 13 stone between them.

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## FALLEN KINGDOM IS FLAWED AND WHOLLY UNDERWHELMING

**W**HILE the return to the world of dinosaurs in 2015's *Jurassic World* was expected to be big, given how much of a cultural entity the franchise is, it's doubtful that anyone expected it to be \$1.627 billion big.

A sequel was always on the cards, and *Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom* picks up the story from where we left off previously. When a volcano on the island, where the now-destroyed *Jurassic World*, becomes live, Owen (Chris Pratt) and Claire (Bryce Dallas Howard) return to try and save them from being wiped out all over again.

However, their actions have unintended consequences and the world of the dinosaurs soon becomes embroiled with our own...

Much like life, as phrased so beautifully by Jeff Goldblum in 1993's *Jurassic Park*, the *Jurassic...* franchise has found a way to survive in this new world of blockbusters, primarily through the nostalgia-fuelled thrill ride that was 2015's *Jurassic World*.

But *Fallen Kingdom* is a film that knows it has to evolve and grow

rather than rely on clever throwbacks to films past, and it's fair to say that it doesn't quite succeed in doing that, the film a reasonably solid blockbuster hampered by a story that at best is woolly and meandering, and at worst is down right terrible.

The film is essentially split in two – the first half takes place on the island as Owen and Claire (reunited in a ham-fisted way) along with two somewhat annoying sidekicks and a woolly troop of grizzled special forces-esque men reeking of double-cross attempt to save the remaining dinosaurs from a second extinction with the island's volcano ready to blow (great bit of forward planning to Richard Hammond for building a multi-billion dollar theme park on an idling volcano).

The second part takes place in northern California where the worlds of man and dinosaur meet (and, sadly, if you've seen any of the later trailers you've seen the main beats of this half).

The first half is the more enjoyable, a romp that balances danger, disaster, perils and laughs in the way the early films knew how to do, and climaxes with arguably one of the most beautifully tragic shots of the entire franchise.



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The second half, however, loses all momentum and becomes a schlocky horror (and this is no mean feat for a 12A certificate that really pushes the limits) full of shady characters whose life expectancy is diminishing by the second and awkwardly-made points about science, genetics, nature and moral obligations.

Both halves are directed with no little style by JA Bayona, the first half's wanton destruction echoing his work on tsunami film *The Impossible*, while the second plays to his horror chops which, if you've seen *The Orphanage*, you know

are pretty impressive.

His use of shadows to build tension, and a slightly unsettling feel where danger seemingly lurks around every corner, is the highlight of the film, giving it its own sense of personality rather than trying to slavishly ape Spielberg. Unfortunately the plot is the biggest weak link here, full of moments that wouldn't feel out of place in the most cheesy of soap operas, reveals that just don't work, and full of clichéd characters that feel like cardboard cutouts devoid of personality.

Even the returning faces lack development – Chris Pratt is, as always, charm personified as Owen, but his character doesn't shift gears while Bryce Dallas Howard's Claire, the flinty, business-driven CEO of the first film, undergoes a radical shift in outlook becoming a dinosaur rights campaigner, but her journey is underdeveloped and unconvincing.

Even the much-lauded return of Jeff Goldblum's Ian Malcolm adds up to around one minute of screen time and that is devoid of the wit and warmth the actor is capable of.

The new dinosaur – the IndoRaptor – is certainly a terrifying and malevolent creature, one

that makes an appearance late in the day to wreak havoc, but even then you feel the powers of the creature aren't fully explored to their potential.

It all makes for an underwhelming exercise, certainly not short of spectacle (and let's be honest, that's what these films thrive on) but certainly trying too hard to carry a message that is delivered in such a messy and haphazard manner.

It's a shame as, with *Jurassic World 3* already announced, there's plenty of scope and ideas as to where the franchise can go next – hopefully it makes a better fist of it than this effort.

**VERDICT** – An uneven blockbuster enlivened hugely by JA Bayona's atmospheric direction but leavened by a script and story that is unengaging, *Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom* has thrills and spills to spare, but ultimately just doesn't truly connect.

Bayona deserves a better narrative to work with, and does his best, but that's about the only real positive you can take from it.

**SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED:** *Jurassic Park* (2015), *Jurassic Park: The Lost World* (1997).

## What's on - News in Brief

### Local author speaks

**AUTHOR and broadcaster Mari Griffith is giving a talk on Thursday, June 14 at 7pm in Rhose Community Library.**

Tickets are £5 with a complimentary glass of wine on arrival. Mari's talk is entitled 'Medieval Underpants: the perils and pitfalls of writing historical fiction'. There will be a Q and A and book signing at the end of the evening.

**Coastguard talk**  
**THE Flatholm Society is hosting a talk on the Penarth Coastguard by Greg McKinny, deputy station officer at the Kymin, Beach Road, Penarth, on Thursday, June 21 at 7pm.**

There will be a donation of £2-£3 to cover costs, raffle and refreshments. For further information, contact Peter Sampson on 01446 404842 or email [pb.sampson@ntlworld.com](mailto:pb.sampson@ntlworld.com).

### Lunchtime concerts

**JUNE is the second month of the Music@Lunchtime series at All Saints' Church, Barry.**

These concerts take place between 1pm and 2pm and concertgoers are invited to bring their lunch to enjoy; tea, coffee and soft drinks are provided, and entry is free although people are encouraged to contribute towards a retiring collection towards various aspects of the mission of the church.

On June 16 we welcome Dragon Brass, a newly formed first year brass detest who attend the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama. They play under the guidance of the

renowned bass trombone player of The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and Superbrass, Roger Argente.

Dragon Brass got to the finals of the Phillip Jones Brass Ensemble prize within three months of being an ensemble and the members are from all around the United Kingdom. You are assured of a hugely varied and enjoyable programme.

### Book sale in Penarth

**THE Friends of Penarth Library are having a book sale at the library on Saturday, June 16 between 10am and 1pm.**

**Councillors' surgery**  
**LLANTWIT First Independent Councillors will hold a surgery at the Heritage Centre, Town Hall, Llantwit Major on Saturday, June 16 from 9.30am until 11.30am. Residents who have any issue to raise are welcome to attend.**

### Ward Councillors surgery

**THE Labour Councillors for Buttrills, Cadoc, Castletand and Court Wards will hold their monthly advice surgery on Saturday, June 16 in the Small Community Room, Barry Library, King Square from 10am until 11am. No appointment necessary.**

### Rock 'n roll at the Con Club

**THE next Rock 'n' Roll dance, featuring Rock 'n' Roll Revival will be at the Conservative Club, Penarth on Saturday, June 30 at 8pm. All are welcome.**

## Hitting the high seas with Welsh Camerata on June 22

**WHEN you think about ancient choral music, you probably think of pieces written for the church, and little else.**

The Early Music specialist choir The Welsh Camerata choir, run by Barry residents Tim and Beatrice Pearce,

would like to disabuse you of this idea at its next concert.

The title *All At Sea* is meant both literally and figuratively.

Yes, a number of the pieces in the concert are about the sea – storms, flying fishes, pilchards, that kind of thing – but they also include weird experiments by early

musicians, such as a short piece in which every chord is a discord; another in which the choir imitates tuning a guitar and one which brings together shouts, insults and hunting cries from the early 17th-Century Border Marches.

All in all, a whole lot of fun.

So if you thought you knew all about 16th-18th Century music, come to this concert and discover a completely new side to entertainment in those far gone days.

The concert will be directed by the early music specialist Andrew Wilson-Dickson and some of the pieces will be accompanied by viols. 'All At Sea!' takes place at Canton Uniting Church, Theobald Road, Canton, Cardiff (CF5 1LR) on Friday, June 22 at 7.30pm.

Tickets priced £10 (£8 concessions) can be bought online at: [www.welshcamerata.org/concerts.php](http://www.welshcamerata.org/concerts.php) and will also be available on the door.

The price of the ticket includes tea and cakes. For a taste of Welsh Camerata performing, visit <https://youtu.be/vBA2CPk3MGk>.

GP TIM PEARCE

## National Gardens are open

**The Birches, Swansea in the west, Somerset to the south and home to Bedford Park and the Cefn Cribwr Iron Works.**

The village hall is at the centre with teas, cakes and plants for sale. The allotments are to be found behind the hall. Children, art and relaxation are just some of the themes to be found in the gardens besides the flower beds and vegetables.

There are also water features, fish ponds, wildlife ponds, summerhouses and hens adding to the diverse mix. Themed colour borders, roses, greenhouses, recycling, composting and much more. The chapel grounds are peaceful with a woodland trail meandering off.

**Open June 16 and 17, admission: adult £4, children free at The Birches, Dingle Close, Barry, (CF62 6QR).**

**Cefn Cribwr Garden Club, Bridgend.**

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## Transporting Bridgend back to the World War eras...

**ON Saturday, June 16, Bridgend town centre will once again be transported back in time to the wartime eras.**

This event saw over 3,000 people attending last year, and this year, to mark the centenary of the end of World War I, the event will be a mix of both World War I and World War II interactive stalls, demonstrations, re-enactments, exhibitions and entertainment for all ages.

This year will feature a 1:1-scale replica WWI Bristol Scout biplane, an array of vintage vehicles together with a multitude of realistic demonstrations – minus the gas attacks – from experts showing how life had to be lived in that era among many other attractions.

Live entertainment will take place throughout the day, and a George Formby look-alike will mingle and serenade the crowds,

with Winston and Monty making a special appearance for the day.

Bridgend allotmenters will show how the Dig for Victory campaign was put into reality; various local military organisations will add their expertise to the event.

A full exhibition centre is available at Carnegie House in Wyndham Street to entertain and inform the public with displays by Michael Ridley, Cheryl Hart and Natalie Murphy, featuring photographs and postcards from the era

### Messy church

**ALL Saints Church in Victoria Square, Penarth, is holding a special Messy Church event in the church grounds on Sunday, June 17 to celebrate Fathers' Day, starting at 4pm.**

There will be a barbecue, lots of games and activities plus a short time of worship, all on the theme 'The Soldier's Faith'. Entry is free although donations towards the cost of food are appreciated. All are welcome (especially dads!).

For more information visit [www.allsaintspenarth.org.uk](http://www.allsaintspenarth.org.uk).

### Valeways guided walk

**ON Wednesday, June 20 at 10.30am the Coffee Shop Strollers of Cosmeston will meet outside the visitor centre, Cosmeston Country Park.**

and an extensive military display complete with a fully constructed Anderson Shelter.

Wartime walks by local historian John Dunkley-Williams.

The event will also mark the role played by Bridgend in World War.

Wartime Bridgend promises to be a unique experience in historical terms for the Bridgend area and will be great day out for all the family.

Further details can be found on [www.facebook.com/wartimebridgend](http://www.facebook.com/wartimebridgend) and #WartimeBridgend.





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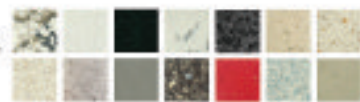
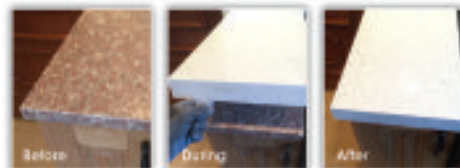
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## COMMUNITY TO THE FORE AS TOWN PREPARES FOR BIG EVENTS!

**I**n recent years, the  
town of Llantwit  
Major has become  
expert in hosting big  
community events.

Much of the thanks for this  
should go to the local events  
committee, Llantwit Major and  
Cowbridge Lions and the many  
volunteers who devote their  
spare time to ensuring things  
proceed smoothly.

Christmas celebrations, market  
days, charity fashion shows and  
summer fun – they are all  
covered.

Byron Evans, chairman of the  
events committee, said: "A  
number of other organisations  
also contribute to making events  
successful including Llantwit  
Town Council, Sarah Jones and  
the events team at the Vale  
Council and the rugby club,  
which is providing us with the  
venue for our next big day."

In just over a week's time – on  
Saturday, June 23 – the summer  
fair will take place at the rugby  
club. It will run from 10am until  
5pm and there will be something  
for everyone whatever their age.

Byron said: "We've got a full  
programme for the stage and the



Last year's  
fair was  
roars-ome!

arena. There will be craft,  
produce and charity stalls.

"A 'have-a-go' area will give  
youngsters the chance to try out  
new activities and sports such as  
football, rugby, tennis and air  
rifles.

"Paul Jones and his Tae Kwon

Do team will be putting on a  
demo and people will be amazed  
by what they see.

"There will also be a remote-  
control model area and visitors  
can decide whether they want to  
become a member of a club."

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## 'Llantwit Major always provides warm welcome' by Cllr David Ellis, Mayor of Llantwit Major

**A**S Mayor  
of  
Llantwit  
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convenient for family  
visits to the Vale or as  
part of a weekend, or  
indeed, weekday  
getaway.

Guests will hardly  
wish to leave the pub,  
though.

Beryl said that all of  
its speciality nights are  
proving popular.

"Tuesday and Friday  
are steak nights," began  
Beryl.

"All our steaks are  
locally sourced, and  
include rib-eye or  
sirloin, or the ever-  
popular surf 'n' turf  
combo, which is a rump  
steak and filo pastry-  
wrapped king prawns.

"And for the non-  
meaters, or those  
wanting something  
different, we serve a  
lovely poached darna of  
salmon topped with a  
toasted herb crust and  
served with either a  
fresh lemon butter or

tomato and basil sauce."

No self-respecting  
pub does not have a  
curry night, and for  
those who like a bit of  
spice, Wednesday is  
your day.

Beryl tempted the  
tastebuds with some of  
the dishes on offer, and  
at levels of spiciness to  
suit all palates.

"We have Thai green  
curry (gaeng kiew wan,  
fact fans) with chicken  
or mushrooms and  
vegetables, jalfrezi with  
chicken, lamb, or  
mushrooms and  
vegetables, and a  
medium-hot with the  
same meats, and chicken  
tandoori."

There is also a range  
of starters and puddings  
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Beryl said that The  
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## Fair promises to be a spectacle

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Byron continued: "We're also putting on a vintage car and tractor display. If enthusiasts want to come along with their own vintage car they are welcome to turn up - there's no registration, but they should come in via the Illtyd Avenue entrance after 9am (the event starts at 10am).

"Children will be able to enjoy a bouncy castle and fairground rides. Gameover Country Displays is putting on a show with ferrets, hawks and dogs.

"The Lions will be cooking their special beefburgers and hopefully not injuring themselves!"

Organisers would welcome help from extra volunteers on Friday evening, early on Saturday morning and after 4pm on Saturday when equipment and stalls need to be packed up.

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Gaynor, of the shop, said: "We have a new car park, with more spaces than before, making it better for our customers."

With the chip shop now in its 12th year, Gaynor said the same favourites,

good old cod and chips, are as popular as ever, "and each portion is cooked fresh to order, with nothing left hanging around."

Another firm favourite are Simon's fish cakes and rissoles.

"They are made to Simon's secret recipe," said Gaynor with a conspiratorial wink.

The GEM could have been let into the secret, but we don't want to be battered...

## Flytipped rubbish fails to ruin the Ramblers walk

ON a beautiful sunny weekend Penarth and District Ramblers enjoyed two glorious walks, the first being from Rachel, who set off with her group of 13 and Pepper the dog to explore the whole of the Senghenydd Dyke in the Aber Valley, along with its industrial connections.

By cycle track and road they made their way uphill onto open moorland at Mynydd Meio, pausing at the trig point to enjoy the views before descending and following the road to Eglwysilan, to view the Church of St Ilan.

Rough tracks led to views overlooking Senghenydd where two major explosions - the first in 1901 when 81 miners were killed and the second in 1913, when a total of 439 men and boys died - meant almost every household in the valley lost one or more loved ones.

A journey across Eglwysilan Common, with its unsightly amount of fly-tipping scarring the beauty, brought them towards the huge spoil tips at Llanbradach with a view of the sea and exiting from the dyke, once a huge deer park, grassy meadows led them downhill.

Reaching Abertridwr and passing the memorial to the Windsor Colliery where, in 1902, six out of nine sinkers who were deepening the mine shaft were drowned, a tramp through Aber Heritage Park led them back to view the poignant Welsh National Mining Memorial Garden in Senghenydd, where every pit disaster in Wales along with the two major disasters at the Universal Colliery in Senghenydd are remembered.

The following day 10 walkers joined Joy at Llanfegan about a mile from the village of Pencelli in Powys, where the 13th century church is dedicated to St Meugan.

Setting off in warm sunshine a rough farm track led them to Cornwall Farm, now holiday accommodation.

A gradual climb on a path below mature trees above the winding River Usk led them onto the Usk Valley walk and clambering over stiles and through fields and woods, the

views stretched towards the Black Mountains with Sugar Loaf claiming centre stage.

Grassy meadows containing sheep above Old Coity Mawr led them to a road, then on past a growing orchard to a stream where a huge tree had crashed to the ground, fortunately narrowly missing both the footbridge and a stile.

Descending gradually through meadows, a short road-walk past Aber Farm led them back into fields and across the River Caerfanell for the journey to Talybont-on-Usk and along the towpath of the Monmouth and Brecon Canal to reach Pencelli.

Following a short stop at the Royal Oak for liquid refreshment that was very much appreciated in the heat, and re-crossing the canal, a short journey up through fields led them back to their start for the journey home.

The sudden passing of Val Hartrey at the end of May has hit the group hard as this founder member was a walk leader, then rambles officer, and was also chairman for 14 years before standing down to become secretary.

She will be greatly missed and our sincere thoughts are with her family.

On June 17, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a joint 9.5-mile moderate walk with Caerphilly Ramblers in the Abersychan area; contact Clive on 029 2065 4156.

On June 2, meet at 6.30pm at Wenvoe Church for a 3-mile easy-to-moderate walk in Wenvoe. Please note, if there has been rain you will need wellingtons; contact Joy on 01446 737131

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots and carry waterproofs, food and drinks.

Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then contact the walk leader for advice.

For up-to-date information log onto [www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com](http://www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com) or access Facebook. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

JOY STRANGWARD



## Lots of fun for local Scout group

**BEAVERS from First Penmark with Porthkerry Scout group have been to the beach where they explored and collected pebbles to paint.**

They had fun playing games at the local playing field during a joint night with Cubs.

There was lots of singing going on too, and in typical Scouting style a song is not complete without actions.

They have planted grass seed at St Peter's Church, and new Beavers have been welcomed and invested.

Cubs joined Beavers playing and singing at the playing fields and have also had another evening playing sports. They have been sharing their skills with each other, from musical talents to drawing, sports and fire building.

Cubs and Scouts have also enjoyed a joint night making 'camp calzons' and fire lighting. Some Cubs moved up to Scouts and new Cubs were also welcomed, while several Cubs attended a Harry Potter-themed camp. Scouts have not stopped. They

joined the Explorer Scout Unit at tree top mini golf. They have been exploring and bell ringing at St Mary's Church in Penmark. They have been shooting and playing games outdoors and have learned about disability sport.

They have welcomed Cubs to Scouts who were invested during the joint night, where they also looked at Internet safety. Some of the Scouts also took part in a mini expedition walking from Penkerry Scout hut to Jubilee Fields carrying their kit and food. They spent one night at Jubilee Fields and then hiked back. It was hot and humid but they relished the challenge and completed it successfully. Well done.

All sections of 1st Penmark with Porthkerry Scout group have also enjoyed a St George's Day celebration at St Mary's Church in Penmark and held a successful AGM which saw the recruitment of two further adults to the group to help with the Beaver colony and be treasurer on the executive committee.

For more information, contact Martin the group Scout leader at [gsl@penmarkscouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@penmarkscouts.org.uk). GH

## Is there life on Mars?

**LAST month I wrote about NASA's April launch of the TESS space probe.**

Hard on the heels of TESS, on May 5 NASA successfully launched yet another exploratory spacecraft. The InSight Mars lander mission is now well on its way and will land on the red planet on November 26.

This is a good time to think about Mars as, this year, it will be brighter than since 2003 when the red planet came closer to Earth than it had been for some 60,000 years.

By the end of July, when the Earth sweeps between Mars and the Sun, it will appear as a red dot of brilliant flame.

Mars is surely the most enigmatic of our planetary neighbours, certainly since the late 19th century, when it was believed that there were canals on its surface.

They were first described in 1887 by the Italian astronomer, Giovanni Schiaparelli, and their presence was confirmed by later observers using early low-resolution telescopes.

The American, Percival Lowell, popularised the idea that intelligent life forms

had created these canals.

By the early 20th century, however, improved astronomical observations revealed Schiaparelli's 'canali' to be an optical illusion.

Nevertheless, the possibility of life on Mars captured the public's imagination and, no doubt, provided inspiration to HG Wells for his 1898 novel, *The War of the Worlds*.

The Mars InSight mission (Interior Exploration using Seismic Investigations, Geodesy and Heat Transport) will place a lander on Mars to study its deep interior. InSight will enter Mars' atmosphere at 14,000 mph and will use a combination of retro jets and a large parachute to keep the spacecraft levelled and slowing until touchdown.

Using sophisticated geophysical instruments, InSight will study the interior of Mars to answer one of science's most fundamental questions: how did the terrestrial planets, including Earth, form?

It is unlikely that InSight will further the debate on the possibility of life on Mars, but on June 7, NASA announced two new clues in the search for life on the red planet,

both discovered by its *Curiosity* rover which is still operating after nearly six years.

The first of these is the existence of organic molecules in three billion year-old sedimentary Martian rocks near the surface of a dried up lake bed and suggests that the planet could have supported ancient life.

The second clue comes from Mars' atmosphere where large seasonal variations in the levels of methane have been detected. Methane emissions on Earth, from cattle in the meadows to lower forms of life in the swamps, are natural by-products of living things. So where is Mars' methane coming from?

The seasonal cycle in the abundance of methane in Mars' northern summer has shocked many scientists. Are there microbes on Mars similar to those that exist in the guts of cows and sheep that produce methane here on Earth?

Although we now know that there is certainly no intelligent life on Mars, our fascination with the possibility of some kind of life there remains undiminished.

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# John awarded BEM medal



John Berry on his 80th, with friends from the YMCA.  
(Photo by the late Keith E Morgan).

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John continued: "Having served Porthcawl YMCA for seven years as general secretary I went to serve as assistant national secretary to the YMCAs of Wales."

"I was secretary of Porthcawl Council of Churches for 14 years and President for two years, overseeing the transition from Council of Churches to Churches Together in Porthcawl."

John soon found himself organising a range of events, including 'Songs of Praise by the Sea' as part of the Sea Festival, and the Thanksgiving Services for the 50th and then the 60th anniversaries of the end of World War Two in the Grand Pavilion.

John established the Porthcawl Civic Fund and chaired it for nine years, helping raise some £50,000 over that time for the Mayor's charities.

John continued: "While supporting young gay people against the homophobia of the Christian Church I joined Stonewall and LGCM (Lesbian Gay Christian Movement) and for four years was a national director of LGCM."

"Most of my life has been

involved in church music as an organist/choirmaster, a role happily fulfilled in various parts of the world including being invited to Hong Kong to play for a wedding!

"For six years (1999-2005) I was chapel organist and a prison visitor at Parc Prison Bridgend, which finished when I had a minor stroke in 2005."

His other achievements include:

- Porthcawl Mayor Megan Hall presented John with a Town Plaque in 1990.

- The Mayor of BCBC, in the first year of the awards, presented John with a Silver Citizens Award.

- Porthcawl YMCA made John an Honorary Life Member in 1990 and he has been the president of Porthcawl YMCA since 1995.

- Churches Together in Porthcawl made him an honorary life vice president in 1994.

- Porthcawl Rotary Club presented John with a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2008 on behalf of Rotary International

John concluded: "I am delighted at being a resident of Porthcawl and hope I've made some contribution to the community - maybe I'm becoming accepted after 35 years!"

## Care home receives award

A CARDIFF-based home care company has won an award based on the glowing recommendations it receives from its clients, their families and friends.

Home Instead Senior Care specialises in providing at-home care to the elderly, and has been named one of the 20 most recommended providers as part of the Home Care Awards 2018.

The awards are based on nearly

10,000 genuine independent reviews left on the homecare.co.uk website, and this is the fourth year running that the Cardiff office has taken one of the top spots.

The business was rated highly across all categories - including overall standard, staff, care/support, management, treating people with dignity and value for money - and received an overall rating of 9.8 out of 10.

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## Warning to owners to take control of their dogs near anglers

A GUIDE dog owner is warning people to keep control of their dogs near anglers on beaches after her young Labrador swallowed a fish hook.

Faith O'Sullivan, of Kenfig Hill, had taken guide dog Buddy for a free run on Newton Beach in Porthcawl when he became entangled in a fishing line.

Newly-qualified Buddy suffered a punctured oesophagus in the incident and needed a costly operation to remove the hook from his throat.

"The beach was packed with families and dog walkers," said Faith. "Buddy was having a free run and just took off."

"My husband and I heard a kerfuffle and suddenly a total stranger was trying to cut the line that Buddy had swallowed. The dog was really scared."

Husband Joseph grabbed hold of Buddy and the couple headed straight to the vet.

"If I had been totally blind and on my own I might not have realised that Buddy had eaten anything," said Faith. "The hook was two-



Buddy and his owner, Faith O'Sullivan.

thirds of the way down his throat. If it had reached his stomach, it could have killed him."

Buddy was referred for specialist treatment in Bristol. Attempts were made to remove the hook with an endoscope, but it had punctured the dog's oesophagus. It meant opening up Buddy's throat in an operation which cost Guide Dogs between £3,000 and £4,000.

"I don't know what I would have done if Guide Dogs hadn't been there for us," said Faith. "I was quite distressed. We only qualified in March, so I felt like Guide Dogs had given me a Ferrari and I'd broken it!"

"Buddy is on the mend, but he can't wear his normal guide dog harness at the moment." A spokesperson for Guide Dogs Cymru said: "Buddy was a firm favourite with all the staff when in training, we are all very relieved he is making a good recovery. "If you are free running your dog near anglers, please put your dog back on its lead well before you reach them and don't let it back off until well past the danger zone. The smell of fish and bait can be very tempting for a dog."

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**BARRY Island welcomed a parade of past and present members of HM Armed Forces to mark an early Armed Forces Day Parade. Supported by the Vale Council, people from all over the county were invited to the event, with the chance to meet serving personnel and veterans.**

Members of RAF St Athan Band and City of Newport Pipes and Drums, Royal British Legion Band Llanelli with MoD St Athan, HMS Cambria, 203 Field Hospital Volunteers, 614 Squadron, Cadet Associations, Veterans, Royal British Legion Riders Branch, Merchant Navy and the Royal Air Forces Association marched along the parade, to huge crowds.

Crowds watched military displays and the vehicles, from the Royal Marines Unarmed

Combat Teams, TS Cadet Gun Running, Military Preparation Training College, and the Royal Navy Sea King Helicopter.

Leader of the Vale Council, Cllr John Thomas, said: "The Armed Forces Day in Barry Island was an incredible way to remember and support members of the British Armed Forces past and present."

"It was great to see hundreds of people from all over the Vale, gather to mark the occasion and enjoy the day, particularly the military displays and vehicles."

"The event was fantastic success and it is clear that the organisers' hard work paid off. Well done to all involved."

A spokesperson for the Royal British Legion said: "Thank you, Armed Forces day was a great success and Veterans' Gateway was proud to be part of it, here's to many more."

NB Armed Forces Day is celebrated nationally on June 30.





## Posh Pawz celebrates sixth anniversary

**I**N June 2012, the owners of Posh Pawz, Kath and Jo, invited Wales' football international Craig Bellamy to open their new business venture, Posh Pawz, set in the heart of Rhoose.



Kath and Jo at Posh Pawz are celebrating the sixth anniversary of their dog grooming business.

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## Time spent in Rhoose really is time well spent...

**R**HOOSE is a growing community, and it is easy to see why.

You simply have to spend a little time in the village, strolling around and taking in the atmosphere.

Wherever you are, you are only a short walk to the cliffs that give stunning views out over the Bristol Channel, and along the Heritage Coast.

It is quite unusual to be in a built-up area so close to the sea that is in such an elevated area.

It really is quite uplifting.

Rhoose seems to have its own micro-climate, because you soon notice the mature palm trees that are growing in various locations, including Milburn Park, the new home for the Rhoose Summer Music festival (see facing page).

It goes to explain why Rhoose is thought to be the fastest-growing community in the Vale. In recent years, new houses have been built in prime spots to take advantage of those breathtaking

views, and more are planned.

The Vale Council is also planning a second primary school to serve the area, although that is still, as they say, "out for consultation".

The railway station was added relatively recently (12 years ago) and this has helped attract commuters to the area. In fact, in the new Capital City Metro transport plan, it is envisaged that the trains will run half-hourly instead of hourly.

However, the recent influx has strengthened Rhoose, providing extra

customers for businesses that, in some communities, have struggled.

Rhoose's main street has everything you could want, with cafes, hairdressers, a barber's, dog groomers, food stores, and much more.

Deano's Barbers has been in business in Rhoose since 1999, and owner Dean Chamberlain has a warm welcome for customers old and new.

With a walk-in service and two barbers on hand, Dean has noticed a steady stream of new faces as the area has expanded, and that is still true today.

Dean said: "The area has changed over the years, but it still has a local feel, and we really feel part of the community."

Sublime Hair is

another well-established business in Rhoose.

Run by Vanessa, it has been keeping on top of changing hairstyles in the area for seven years now, in a salon that is modern and spacious.

Vanessa said: "I would say that our speciality is colouring and colour correction, and that is very popular at the moment."

"It was how I became involved in the business, as I used to work for a hair colouring company."

Because the area is a popular touring destination, with several leisure parks, it means that there is plenty of entertainment on offer, just a short distance from people's homes.

The Ocean Lounge at Porthkerry Leisure Park is a good example, booking first class

vocalists to headline on a Saturday evening, and with karaoke and bingo evenings as well.

They also do a Sunday lunch for holiday-makers and locals alike, at a competitive £5.95 (For more details, see their advert on facing page).

Rhoose Point is, of course, the southernmost tip of Wales, which is a claim to fame, but the community is much more than a reference point on a map.

Spend just a few hours here and you realise that there are a number of solid reasons why it is a growing community and, whether you get here by walking the Wales Coastal Path, or by car, train or bicycle, it is well worth a visit.

## Fontygary Inn is at the heart of the community



**T**HE Fontygary Inn (above) is now a firmly established pub-cum-restaurant, providing everything from a selection of ales, beers and ciders to delicious home cooked foods and the famous sizzler steaks.

Sunday lunch roast should not be missed and booking is advisable.

Landlord Kevin and landlady Kerry Eade are now trading in their 12th year at the Inn and are striving to further improve their business with regular live music on Friday and

Saturday evenings and the very latest smart phone quiz on Wednesdays.

They play host to two pool league teams comprising of customers and local residents from the Rhoose area, all attempting to keep the local community together.

Mr Eade said that their success comes from their team of hard-working staff of all age groups, from the young 16-year-olds starting out to the more senior front of house staff.

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**T**HIS summer, dragons will be appearing all over Celtic Way Community Hall in Rhoose.

Taking Flight Theatre will present *You've Got Dragons* in a take on Kathryn Cave's children's book.

A spokesperson enthused: "Do your worries ever reach dragon-like proportions? If they do, then this is the show for you!"

"It is a poignant, insightful story about coping with 'your dragons' and learning to face anxieties."

*You've Got Dragons* features creative captioning, British Sign Language and audio description in a treat for all the family.

*You've Got Dragons* is at Celtic Way Community Hall, Celtic Way, Rhoose, CF62 3FT on July 27, with performances at 2pm and 6.30pm.

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Jumpin' Jimmy and the Nice Guys at a Porthcawl Festival last year. (Photo by Frank Shipton).

## A visit to the Six Bells is not to be missed



**THE Six Bells Inn, situated in the picturesque village of Penmark, is everything you could want from a Welsh country pub.**

It combines the charm of a traditional bar area with a modern restaurant and function room. Over the years it has developed an enviable reputation for its home-cooked food and selection of real ales. The pub-restaurant prides itself on being farm-to-fork with all the meat

locally sourced. There is a beer garden at the front and a large car park for visitors at the back. Staff are proud that the pub is at the heart of village life, and it draws people from further afield who have heard such good things about its excellent food and service. The Six Bells even has its own free-range chickens which means eggs are on sale at the pub. For more information on the Six Bells go to [sixbellspenmark.co.uk](http://sixbellspenmark.co.uk).

## MUSIC FEST WILL GET RHOOSE ROCKING

**T**HERE is plenty of live music in Rhoose – based around the leisure parks and local pubs, but the village now has its own, well-established one-day festival.

Rhoose Summer Music is now in its fourth year, and has outgrown its former home in the grounds of Rhoose Social Club. This year, on July 7, it will move a short distance down the Fontygary Road to Milburn Park, which offers the added bonus of great views over the Bristol Channel. The festival capacity has increased from 500

to 750, and there will be music from noon until 11pm, with headline acts including Brother Steve, Jumpin' Jimmy and the Nice Guys, and Too Toned. The festival is organised by Ryan Sutton and James Bagnall, and Ryan told The GEM: "We're delighted to see it grow, and the event is close to a sell-out already. "This year, Bro Radio have come on board as media partner and the park is an excellent venue. "We will have a licensed bar, and there will be festival food including pizzas and barbecue." For more information, go to [www.rhooesummer.co.uk](http://www.rhooesummer.co.uk)

## Cats without collars: Your kindness may be misplaced

A BARRY Island resident, who has lost a cat, claims that during her attempts to find it, she discovered that people have taken in cats because they have not had a collar on.

Kim Shore told The GEM: "Some people seem to think if a cat doesn't have a collar on it is a stray and it's okay to claim them."

Mrs Shore's one-year-old cat Lottie went missing on June 3. She said: "Lottie and her sister Maisie mean the absolute world to me. We got them as kittens from Mittens Rescue last year when I was just finishing treatment for breast cancer."

"We have put leaflets through every door in Barry Island in an attempt to find Lottie and have spoken to many



Lottie went missing from Phyllis Street.

people in doing so." Mrs Shore says she was 'disturbed' that during her search she spoke to at least five people who told her that their cats had gone missing and they had later found out that they were being kept by someone who had started feeding them because

they assumed they were strays.

While she was putting out leaflets some people had also told her that her cat should have had a collar on.

"I tried to explain that most cats are now micro-chipped and should be taken to a vet if found to reunite them with their owner."

"I also pointed out that collars can be more harmful and cause cats to be caught and trapped."

"I would appreciate anyone looking after my cat if they had found her, but people need to realise that in some instances they could be taking cats from their homes."

Mrs Shore said that if a cat was found by someone they should take it to a vet or rescue centre.

If anyone finds Lottie, they should call 07789 885919.

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## Vale residents are recognised in Queen's Birthday Honours

**SOUTH Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has paid tribute to all Vale residents recognised in Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday Honours list.**

Cowbridge town councillor Sue Cox – who was awarded the MBE for political and voluntary service in the Vale of Glamorgan – was nominated by Mr Davies for decades of "unwavering commitment" to the town and charitable sector.

Mr Davies said: "I have known Sue and her husband Geoff for many

years and over a considerable period of time she has been an outstanding servant to Cowbridge and the wider Vale.

"She has served the town with distinction as Mayor as well as playing a key role on the Town Twinning Association and serving as sub-warden of Llanblethian Church.

"These are just some of her notable achievements and it was a huge honour to nominate her for the MBE, which is fully deserved for her dedicated and commitment."

Other recipients include Barry-born scientist Haley Gomez

of Cardiff University, for services to astrophysics, astronomy and outreach services and Peterston-super-Ely resident John Smart for services to construction and property industries.

Mr Davies said: "I'd like to congratulate Haley and John for their MBEs as well as their outstanding work in their respective fields. They have proven themselves to be pioneers in physics and property and I have no doubts there is plenty more to come."

Jeffrey Savory of Barry was awarded the OBE for services to disability sport.

Mr Savory chaired Special Olympics Wales from 2005 until last year and has been a leader in the learning disability field for almost 40 years.

Mr Davies said: "Jeff's work over four decades has been instrumental in helping people with disabilities take part in sport, both in Barry and across the whole of Cardiff and the Vale. He has been a true leader and his work has undoubtedly changed many lives for the better."

## Defibrillators in Barry

**T**HANK you for the article in The GEM about the new AED/defibrillator donated by Welsh Hearts and housed at the Barry West End Club on St Nicholas Road which appeared recently.

Please may I add my sincere thanks to everyone who donated prizes or bought raffle tickets and those who put cash towards the cost of the cabinet.

Last week, you printed a list of AEDs which did not include the one at Barry West End Club. I believe it is the first Publicly Accessible Defibrillator (PAD) in Barry, ie one that is available 24/7, all year round, simply by

phoning 999 and asking for an ambulance. Everyone, whatever their age, should be encouraged to get basic first aid training, but even without it, by calling 999 they will be talked through where to find a defibrillator and how to use it.

I would also like to let your readers know that there is a small group of people who are well on the way to getting funding for another new AED to be housed at the St Francis Millennium Centre, Park Road, Barry.

Mark Sainsbury, Barry. \*Editor's note - We are more than happy to update our details to show the West End's PAD - a list of local defibrillators runs in the paper on the first week of every month.

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## Rotary Club's classic car show raises over £4,000 for charity

THE Dinas Powys Rotary Club would like to thank everyone who joined us at our sixth annual May Bank holiday Classic Car show on May 28 at the Sully Sports and Leisure Club ground.

What a huge turnout, with well over 200 stunning cars and motorcycles, trade stands, sponsors, community support, volunteers and so many spectators, all helping to raise over £4,800 for charitable organisations in the Dinas Powys area.

All proceeds from the car show will be distributed to the Dinas Powys RNLI, 1st Dinas Powys Scout Troop and other local good causes.

The RNLI was supported by Stormy Stan and the Barry Model Boat Club, who would like to thank Barry Fire Brigade, Green Watch in helping them with their boat pond which was a great attraction allowing spectators the opportunity to sail the club's radio-controlled boats.

The 1st Dinas Powys Scout troop worked tirelessly throughout the day supporting Rotary; and finally, well-done to

10-year-old Keaton Karnicki for the time and energy he put in supporting local charities.

Weather is always a factor; this year's show was blessed with sunshine allowing classic car club members as well as spectators a great opportunity to enjoy the spectacle of so many cars, as well as the opportunity to foster camaraderie among classic vehicle enthusiasts.

"It was amazing to see so many rare and immaculately maintained classic cars, including some unique models such as the winner," said Simon Watts, president of Dinas Powys Rotary.

Show trophies were awarded for best car and motorcycle in show and two runners-up, with judging by our independent team of car enthusiasts, as follows:

**Cars:** First, Fiat Topolino 1938 (believed to be one of a kind left in existence) owner Mr Steve Denning.

Second, Ford Capri 1980 3.0, owner Mr Paul Freestone. This is a restored wreck with exceptional finishing detail, including original optional X Pack trim.

Third, Calthorpe 10.4. 1921, owner Mr Peter Morris. The Calthorpe was found in a basement



in Barry having been taken off the road pre-war and it was missing the body. Research and later acquisition of another part car in 1982 led to a full rebuild, to be used for the owner's son at his wedding.

**Motorcycles:** First, Douglas Vespa 125 cc 1954 owner Mr Michael Perry. The Vespa scooter is in original condition, with only necessary work being carried out to enable it to be used on a regular basis.

Second, Goldwing Trike 1992 owner Mr Eddie Hawkins. This splendid trike is a self-modified two-wheel bike with a car axle added to the rear.

Third, entry number 286 Laverdon Racer. The Laverdon Racer is an Italian bike which has been modified in the UK as a racer, and then its features were adopted by the original manufacturer and it was restored by one of the original UK engineers.

We look forward to seeing you at next year's show on Bank Holiday Monday, May 27 2019, at the Sully Sports and Leisure Club ground.

If you are interested in learning more about the rotary Club of Dinas Powys or would like to join our club contact club secretary Rotarian Martyn Williams at: martyn354@sky.com. For more information see our Facebook Page.

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## Do you have room in your heart and home for a Golden Oldie?

DOGS Trust Bridgend is urging the public to consider giving an older dog a loving home after they have had an influx in golden oldies arriving at the rehoming centre and have 12 doggy OAPs looking for new homes.

In fact, nearly 25 per cent of dogs in their care are aged eight or over and include Belle and Holly, a pair of 10-year-old terrier crosses who arrived after their owner became ill and was no longer able to care for them.

The rehoming centre now hopes to challenge the 'elderly dog



*You could join the Kane gang.*

are usually already house-trained and can make wonderful family pets.

"Often, we find that our golden oldies still have bags of energy so they can be just as fun as a younger dog, but they may need an extra 40 winks on a cosy sofa after a busy playtime."

"There really are countless reasons an older dog can make a wonderful companion, so if you think you can give an elderly dog a happy home, please get in touch."

If you think you would like to give an older rescue dog a happy home, get in touch with Dogs Trust Bridgend on 0300 303 0292. KM

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## COUNCILS NEED A LOUDER VOICE

**ANDREW R T Davies wants town and community councils to have a louder voice as the bottom tier of local government.**

The Welsh Conservatives' leader and South Wales Central AM claims that many town and community councillors feel "completely ignored and overlooked".

He asked at the National Assembly about the support available to these grassroots councils and the guidance given to unitary authorities in dealing with them.

Mr Davies said: "In my own electoral region, I have a great difference in the level of community councils in the Vale of Glamorgan, Cardiff and Rhondda Cynon Taf."

"I find that local authorities have a differing view on how they consult and how they engage with town and community councils."

"It is really troubling to hear many community councillors say they feel completely ignored and overlooked in what is the first rung in our democratic process."

"I'd be grateful to understand what role and what guidance the Welsh Government give to unitary authorities to make sure there's a level playing field when it comes to engagement and the consultation process on important announcements."

Leader of the House, Julie James, said Local Government Secretary Alun Davies would produce a statement in response to Mr Davies's request. AS

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# Plaid Cymru calls for 'Golau Caredig' crossing

**PLAID CYMRU** councillor **Ian Johnson** has called for a crossing to be introduced linking 'Golau Caredig' to Broad Street.

He said it is needed so local residents and shoppers can cross safely.

Cllr Johnson says cars often travel quickly on and off the Gladstone Bridge roundabout and it's difficult for pedestrians to see vehicles due to cars parked on the bend at Gladstone Road, near Golau Caredig extra-care home, which was once Barry's Theatre Royal cinema.

He pointed out that plans for changes to the Gladstone Bridge area were under discussion by the council but warned that these had been in the pipeline for nearly 18 months with no concrete proposals yet made for a crossing at the site.

He said: "We campaigned for a crossing at Lower Buttrills Road to allow Golau Caredig and Elis Fisher Court residents to safely walk to Holton Road.

"Now we need a crossing between Golau Caredig and Broad Street to allow west end residents and Golau Caredig residents to cross safely.

"Cars are often going quickly onto or off the Gladstone Bridge roundabout and it can be difficult to see past parked cars on the bend on Gladstone Road."

Cllr Johnson claimed residents are frustrated by the delay and hopes the council would bring forward plans for the site quickly.

Marcus Goldsworthy, Vale Council head of regeneration and planning, explained that the crossing could not be done in isolation, but when a wider scheme was delivered.

"The 'Barry Town Centre Gateway Regeneration Project' was first agreed by the former administration in April 2017.

"Since then the council has been working with landowners to regenerate the lower end of Holton Road and Broad Street.

"This includes improving the public realm and further developing sustainable transport and pedestrian links, alongside attracting commercial and community development as well as creating new housing.

"To achieve this, support will be sought from Welsh Government's 'Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme' and it is hoped the scheme can be delivered over the next three years.

"The proposed new crossing fits with the aims of this scheme, but it is important any work has regard of the wider project. If carried out in isolation, there is a risk of it being redundant once overall works have been completed."

Mr Goldsworthy added: "Cllr Johnson has been kept fully informed of progress in this matter and the need for any proposals to be developed in a comprehensive manner. He is also well aware of the wide-ranging work under way to improve pedestrian movement in the Gateway area."

TC

## Albert Primary School and World Book Day



**RECENTLY,** Albert Primary School celebrated World Book Day at St Fagans Museum.

It was a glorious day and the sun truly shone for the 588 children and adults who took part.

It was an exciting event that none of the children or adults who attended will ever

forget. All the classes made their way around St Fagans, stopping at different locations to hear stories told by a number of different storytellers.

The storytellers were parents, governors, grandparents and friends of the school.

The children listened to a variety of stories, some in Welsh, with many of the storytellers

in full costume!

Some of the favourite stories involved a gangsta Granny, whales that talk, a butterfly lion in the sky and even a barber who catches unsuspecting victims!

Pupils and parents of the school also dressed up, which helped to make it a fabulous fun day for everyone.

World Book Day has really inspired the children to get creative, have a go at writing their own stories and also read new books.

Albert Primary School would like to say a big thank you to everybody who helped make the day such an overwhelming success!

Milly, year-6 pupil

## Specs appeal at Goldsland Farm

A PAIR of prescription spectacles was found in the car parking field at Goldsland Farm, Wenvoe, on Open Farm Sunday (June 10).

The owner is asked to call Robert Reader on 07860 9423901 to arrange collection.



## The Potted Garden in June

### Hanging gardens of summer by Sara Milne

**P**LANTING a hanging basket may be the ideal way to expand your garden or make the best use of the outside space that you have.

It's also one of the easiest ways to connect your garden with your home.

If you plant your summer hanging basket at the end of May or beginning of July, then it will thrive in a frost free environment producing a vibrant flourish of colour through to the autumn.

Choosing the right hanging basket really comes down to personal taste, but there are two basic styles to choose from – those with solid sides or the traditional wire types.

The benefit of using wire hanging baskets is that they allow you to grow some plants through the sides, rather than everything coming from the top of the basket. Whichever you choose, go for the biggest that you can – the more room you have for plants the better.

First, you need to prepare the compost and liner. For soil, you can go for the easy option and pick a ready-made hanging basket compost; or you can use a multi-purpose compost, add a handful of perlite to improve drainage and aeration and add hydration crystals to help the soil retain water.

Slow-release fertiliser granules can also be mixed in to feed the plants.

An open wire basket needs a liner to prevent compost falling through. Traditionally, moss is used and gives a natural feel, but other linings are just as good such as

coconut fibre.

Using a bucket or empty pot to steady the basket while you work, place moss around the bottom half, and then add newspaper as a barrier between the moss and compost. This will stop the soil from falling out initially, and as the paper rots the roots will grow through to hold the earth in place. Fill this bottom half with soil.

Next, insert the trailing plants by making holes 50mm (two inches) apart at this level and poke the roots of the plants such as lobelias or trailing ivy through the sides so they lie on top of the compost. Add more compost and trailing plants, positioning them between those already planted below.

Now plant the top of the basket. A dramatic centrepiece is a must-have – something like an upright fuchsia or a geranium will give you a strong and vibrant focal point.

Surround that with trailing plants like petunias or ivy-leaved geraniums, and one or two busy lizzies.

Remember to leave a 30mm gap from the soil to the top of the basket to help it hold water.

Finally hang the basket. Water thoroughly as hydration is key – hanging baskets will dry out very quickly without regular, sometimes daily, watering.

Fit the chain in place and suspend the basket on a secure, supporting

bracket. Take time to rotate the basket so that its best side faces outwards.

If hanging baskets are just part of your outside space then here are some gardening tips for this month from the RHS (Royal Horticultural Society):

Plant out seedlings and young plants.  
Watering and

weeding.

Start spraying roses to stop black spot and mildew.

Fast growing hedges will need a trim.

Plant hanging baskets and containers.

Plant salad leaf seeds. Tie up climbers.

Feed spring bulbs for next year.

Plant out tomatoes. Mow the lawn.



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# Sewage plant expansion gets green light in Dinas

A SEWAGE plant on the outskirts of Dinas Powys has been given the go-ahead to expand despite residents' fears over the smell and noise.

Cog Moors Welsh Water Treatment Works, situated between the village and Barry, has been given permission to build an anaerobic digestion plant at the site.

Welsh Water welcomed the decision saying it would 'enhance' the way it treats waste.

The plant, which will have new storage tanks, and a stack up to 18 metres high, will be used to convert sewage sludge into gas, which would then be used to generate electricity, and as soil fertiliser.

The Vale Council's planning committee approved planning permission for the sewage works expansion last Thursday, June 7.

But that after councillor Bob Penrose, a member of the committee, raised residents' concerns about the odour, emissions, traffic and visual impact of the development – as well as it being on a flood plain.

"Over the last few years there have been numerous complaints on odour from these sewage works," he told the meeting.

"But none have ever been resolved and they have all been denied."

CLlr Penrose said the new

plant would be visible for some residents in Sully and would add to existing emissions in the area.

The meeting heard there will be three sensitive receptors installed to improve odour monitoring at the site.

Questions were also asked about the increased number of vehicles that would be going to and from the site, and whether the plant would kill all pathogens – bacteria which cause disease – from the waste.

Planning consultant Howard Jones, representing the Cog Moors plant, told the meeting there would be eight more HGV movements a day to and from the site, up from its current level of up to 21.

He said the plant's pathogen kill rate "will be as close to 100 per cent as can be achieved."

Mr Jones told the committee: "Public Health Wales have confirmed emissions to air will be well within air pollution thresholds and will have no adverse impact on human health."

"Odour modelling shows the proposed development will not result in increased levels of odour. There will be no adverse noise impacts as a result of the proposed development."

He added that while there will be a minor increase in HGV movements each day, this will be directed away from Dinas Powys and towards the McDonald's roundabout junction.

CLlr Jonathan Bird said: "You all forget that this is a facility that is processing our waste. We need it to be going somewhere."

"This is the plant at which the drains all end up. This is a marked improvement on what is being done at the moment."

Victoria Robinson, the Vale Council's operational manager for developments, told the meeting the scheme is a major investment by Welsh Water, having considered alternative options across Wales.

CLlr Bird added: "This is a vast improvement to increase capacity and I think we should be supporting this."

Planning permission was granted by a majority vote.

A Welsh Water spokesperson said: "We are pleased to have received planning permission for our proposed improvements to the wastewater treatment works at Cog Moors."

"The advanced anaerobic digestion process will enhance the way we treat waste and produces a higher quality fertiliser for recycling to agricultural land."

"Furthermore, it helps with the reduction of our carbon footprint through the production of energy from waste."

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## Police appeal over missing girl



**OFFICERS of South Wales Police are asking for the public's assistance to locate 16-year-old Courtney Lea who has been reported missing from the North Cornelly area.**

Courtney has been missing since Friday, June 8, and has links with the Porthcawl, Bridgend, Swansea and Cardiff areas.

She was last seen wearing blue jeans, a white top and grey Nike trainers.

Anyone who has seen or heard from Courtney is asked to call police on 101 quoting occurrence number 1800207750.



## School raises funds for Sri Lanka charity

**BARRY Comprehensive pupils from years 7, 8 and 9 took part in a 'Tough Mudder' style competition to raise money for Help Lanka prior to the sixth form trip to Sri Lanka at the end of June.**

The course was arranged to test the boys' agility and speed. The competitors had to negotiate their way through eight different obstacles including the tyre run and the giant slip and slide, while being pelted with water and flour bombs by the 'helping'

sixth formers.

After completing a lap, alongside 25 other competitors, the sprint to the finish line was won by three year-9 pupils: Carl Sutton, Harper Chamberlain and Zac Watts.

Competitors were encouraged to raise sponsorship to take part in the event, with some boys raising over £30. Jaydon Williams in year-7 was presented with a goody bag prize for raising the most individual sponsorship.

Well done to all involved in raising over £400 for Help Lanka.

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## Talk on objectors

**DR ALED Eirug is coming to Penarth to give a talk on 'Opposition to the Great War in south Wales'.**

The former head of News and Current

Affairs at BBC Wales and currently a senior lecturer at Swansea University, will give the talk today (Thursday, June 14).

His talk has been organised by the Friends of St Augustine's – just one of many events arranged by the Friends over the last four years to commemorate the centenary of World War 1.

So far, the emphasis of the events has been on remembering those who died in the Great War and the sacrifices they made; 207 of the Penarth men are recorded on the Roll of Honour in St Augustine's Church (which was conserved by the Friends in 2014).

The Friends will continue to honour those who died. It was felt however, that the people who were opposed to the First World War in Wales should also be remembered and the extent of opposition to war should be better understood. This is a challenging subject and one which may reveal hidden histories yet to

be told.

Aled Eirug commented: "As we mark the centenary of the First World War in Wales, and given the tendency to concentrate on the soldiers, in this talk I will focus on those who opposed the war throughout Wales and especially on the over 800 conscientious objectors."

"While it's important to remember the soldiers who lost their lives in the war, it is also important to remember that there was a significant minority who chose another path which was difficult and often unpopular."

Cathy Grove, chair of the Friends said: "We are very fortunate to welcome Aled Eirug, whose research into this area is known to be ground-breaking."

The talk will take place at 7pm in the Parish Hall, Albert Road, Penarth (CF64 1BX). Entry £5 on the door (£4 for Friends of St Augustine's). Further information at [www.friendsofstaugustines.org.uk](http://www.friendsofstaugustines.org.uk).

Tricia Griffiths

## Police appeal after crash

**OFFICERS investigating a road traffic collision on the M4 between Margam and Pyle are appealing for witnesses to come forward.**

The collision, which involved a blue Mini Countryman and a silver Ford Mondeo, happened on the M4 eastbound between junction 38 and 37, shortly after 7pm on Sunday, June 10.

The driver of the Mini was taken to the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, with minor injuries but has since been discharged.

Anyone who witnessed the collision or the events prior to the collision is urged to contact police. Officers would also like to hear from anyone who may have captured the incident on a dash-cam or any other device.

Contact 101, quoting occurrence 1800210234.

**Got a story? Then get in touch with us - email [editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk](mailto:editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk) or call 01446 774484**

### GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG (BIRD CAGE WALK, BROAD STREET, Y BARRI) (CAU FFORDD) ( DROS DRO) 2018

Mae Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adran 14 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 (fel y'i diwygiwyd) a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill yn cynnig, mewn dim llai na 7 diwrnod o ddyddiad yr Hysbysiad hwn, wneud Gorchymyn a fydd yn gwneud yr hyn a disgrifir yn yr atodlenni isod: -

#### ATODLEN 1

1. Ni chaiff unrhyw un gerdded yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 2 isod.

#### ATODLEN 2

**Lleoliad** Y darn o'r llwybr troed sydd i'w gau yw 'Bird Cage Walk' Broad Street o'r gyffordd gyda Harbour Road i Groestan Sebra'r Orsaf Drenau ar Broad Street, Y Barri.

**Rheswm** Atal niwed posibl i bobl gan wal gynnal anniogel.

**Hyd** O 00.01 ddydd Gwener 22 Mehefin 2018 am 18 mis ar y mwyafr

**Llwybr Arall** Ar hyd y Sebra i ochr arall Broad Street.

Dyddiedig 14 Mehefin 2018.

Cyfarwyddwr Amgylchedd a Thai Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, Yr Alpau, Gwenfô. CF5 6AA.



### THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (BIRD CAGE WALK, BROAD STREET, BARRY) (ROAD CLOSURE) (TEMPORARY) ORDER 2018

The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), and of all other enabling powers intends in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the general effect of which is as described in the schedules below: -

#### SCHEDULE 1

2. No person shall proceed on foot or on a cycle at the location specified in Schedule 2 below.

#### SCHEDULE 2

**Location** The section of footway to be closed is 'Bird Cage Walk' Broad Street from the junction of Harbour Road to the Rail Station Zebra Crossing point on Broad Street, Barry.

**Reason** To prevent potential injury to persons from an unsafe retaining wall.

**Duration** From 00.01Hrs on Friday 22nd June 2018 for a maximum period of 18 Months

**Alt. Route** Across the Zebra to the opposite side of Broad Street.

Dated this 14th day of June 2018.

Director of Environment & Housing  
Vale of Glamorgan Council, The Alps, Wenvoe. CF5 6AA.



### GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG GORCHYMYN (DIDYMU GWAHARDDIAD AR FYNEDIAD) (Y RHODFA (RHAN) GLANNAU DŴR Y BARRI) 2018

Hysbysir bod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth ymarfer ei bwerau o dan Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984, Adran 129A Deddf Prifffyrdd 1980 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, yn cynnig gwneud Gorchymyn, y disgrifir ei effaith gyffredinol isod.

1. Gellir gweld manylion llawn y cynnig, sy'n cynnwys copi o'r gorchymyn a'r cynlluniau arfaethedig yn y cyfeiriad a ddangosir isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol ac mae'n rhaid cyflwyno unrhyw wrthwynebiad sydd gennych i'r cynnig hwn i'r Cyfarwyddwr Amgylchedd a Thai (Cyf: IF742) yn ysgrifenedig erbyn 6 Gorffennaf 2018 ac mae'n rhaid cynnwys eich seiliau dros wrthwynebu.

2. Cynghorir i bersonau sy'n gwrthwynebu'r Gorchymyn, wrth ystyried Deddf Llywodraethol Leol (Mynediad) 1985, mae'r Cyngor hwn o dan rymedigaeth gyfreithiol i sicrhau bod unrhyw sylwadau a dderbynnir mewn ymateb i'r Gorchymyn arfaethedig yn agored i gael eu harchwilio gan y cyhoedd.

#### ATOLDEN

#### Diddymu:

**Gorchymyn (Gwahardd Mynediad) (Y Rhodfa (Rhan) Glannau Dŵr y Barri Cyngor Bro Morgannwg 2015**

Ni fydd unrhyw berson yn achosi neu ganiatáu i unrhyw gerbyd fynd ar hyd y Rhodfa (Glannau Dŵr y Barri) yn dechrau ar ei chyffordd a'r ffordd fynediad dienw (tua 70 metr tua'r de o'i chyffordd a Ffordd y Mileniwm) i gylchgron gorllewin am tua 120 metr rhwng 19:00 a 07:00 dydd Llun i ddydd

Dyddiedig 14 Mehefin 2018

Cyfarwyddwr Amgylchedd a Thai Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, The Alps, Gwenfô CF5 6AA



### THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (REVOCATION OF PROHIBITION OF ACCESS) (Y RHODFA, (PART) BARRY WATERFRONT) ORDER 2018

Notice is given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Section 129A Highways Act 1980 and of all other enabling powers, proposes to make an Order, the general effect of which is described in the schedule below.

1. Full details of the proposal to include a copy of the proposed order and plans may be inspected at the address shown below during normal office hours, and, any objection you may have to this proposal must be submitted to the Director of Environment and Housing (Ref: IF742) in writing by 6th July 2018 and must contain the grounds upon which you object.

2. Persons objecting to the proposed Order are advised that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 this Council is legally obliged to make any comments received in response to the proposed Order open to public inspection.

#### SCHEDULE

#### Revocation of:

**Vale of Glamorgan Council (Prohibition of Access) (Y Rhodfa (Part) Barry Waterfront) Order 2015**

No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed, along the length of Y Rhodfa (Barry Waterfront) commencing at its junction with the unnamed access road (approximately 70 metres south of its junction with Ffordd y Mileniwm) running in a westerly direction for approximately 120 metres between the hours of 19:00 and 07:00 Monday to Sunday.

Dated this 14th day of June 2018

Director of Environment & Housing  
Vale of Glamorgan Council,  
The Alps, Wenvoe CF5 6AA





 <p><b>BRIDGEND COUNCIL BOROUGH COUNCIL</b></p> <p><b>CYNGOR BŴRDEISTREF</b></p> <p><b>SIROL PEN-Y-BONT AR OGWR</b></p>	
<p>I give notice that the following applications have been made. The application documents can be viewed during normal office hours at the Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend CP31 4WB or on the planning page of the Council website. Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications on land use planning grounds should write to the Council at the above address by the date shown on the clear stamp category of application or submit their comments online. Observations received on applications are not acknowledged. Any representations submitted will be open to public inspection and objections/ supporters may be identified on the internet. The Development Control Committee operates public speaking arrangements. If you wish to register an intent to speak at Committee (should the application not be processed under delegated powers) please indicate in your response. For more information call 01656 636301.</p> <p><b>Ref:</b> 2018/0155L  <b>Applicant:</b> Gwernedd, Sella benn gelyng ar dogfenmawr y cwsleddau yn ystod crisi awydds eiddoedd yng y Swyddfaeddy Dineig, Stryd yr Dygol, Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr CP31 4WB neu ar y dudalen gwmlunio ar wefan y Cyngor.  <b>Dylai unrhyw un sy'n cytuno o'i wynebu'r sylweddau o'r cwsleddau hyn i roi cyfarwyddiadau dyfnyddio ddiar prifffurfio i'r y Cyngor o'r cymuned uchaf arben y dyddiedd o nodir dan bob collatgell cwsleddau neu gyflwyno'i sylweddau ar-lein. Ni allonir cytuno'ddysgu'n ddilys diardd sylweddau ar gwsleddau. Dylai unrhyw sylweddau a gyflwyno'r gall i'r Cyngor eu hystredu, i'w bod y cerbydau eraillau gertiffieiddyseddyddog ar gal i'r Rhwyngwyl, Mawr Pwllgryn Rheol Ddyllyddu'n gweithredu llinellau i astudio o'r cwsleddau goll seared. Os dydych chi dymuno nodi bwnid i siarad yn y Pwyllgor hon na fydd y cais yn cael ei brosesu dan bwerau wedi'i alprwyngu, nodoch hynny yn eich ymateb. I gael mwy o wybodaeth ffoniwch 01656 636301.</b></p>	
<p><b>TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (WALE) ORDER 2012</b>  <b>P18/0155L</b> Residential development of 4no. attached housing units with car parking and associated works - Land west of Bryn Bragi Brackles by Wales &amp; West Housing Association</p> <p>The above proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application</p>	<p>relates is situated.  <b>RESPOND BY: 27/08/2018</b>  <b>PLANNING LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS ACT 1990</b>  <b>L18/0387/LA</b> Remove part of stone wall to left hand side of house and drop kerbs to create new vehicular access with new pillar and wrought iron gates - Newcastles Cottage 10 Webb Road Bridgend by Mrs L Gordon-Webb  <b>RESPOND BY: 4/07/2018</b></p>
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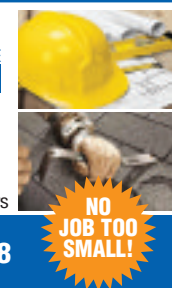
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Resting at Green Willow Funeral Home Station Road, Dinas Powys, CF64 4DE, until the funeral service on Friday, 22nd June at 1pm at the Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry. Bright and cheerful colours to be worn to celebrate Cassy's life. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu for Cats Protection (Bridgend) either directly or on the day.

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## GOUGH

## Sarah Noyle (Sally)

Sadly but peacefully died on 3rd June with the presence of her daughters on her 89th birthday. Sally, beloved wife of the late Granville. Dearly loved mother of Sian, Rob, Rachel and their partners and the late John. Adored granny to all 11 grandchildren and great granny to her granddaughter.

Sally will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Gladstone Road, Barry until the funeral on Thursday, 21st June. Funeral service in the chapel at 1.45pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry.

Family flowers only, if desired donations may be handed to the funeral director after the funeral for N.S.P.C.C. Bright colours may be worn.

## REES

## Richard Wellesley Morgan FRCS

Died on 1st June 2018, aged 83. Much loved father to Kirsti and Emyln, father-in-law to Simon and Jo, and adored grandfather to Tallulah, Roxie, Minty and Henry. He will be sorely missed by friends, family and colleagues.

A private family cremation in July will be followed by an event to celebrate his inspirational life in September. Details of this will be available from family members nearer the time. Any donations in Richard's name to RNLI or Barnardos.

## PHILLIPS

## David Wynford (Wyn)

Passed on 22nd May 2018 on his beloved island of Crete.

The funeral will be held at All Saints Church, Barry on Friday, 15th June at 12.30pm, followed by interment at Porthkerry Cemetery and then on to the West End Labour Club, Barry for a celebration of his life.

No flowers by request. Donations to the R.N.L.I and P.D.S.A. on the day c/o W James and Sons, Fonmon.

## MILLER

## Margaret

Peacefully on 5th June at home in Barry with her family present, Margaret, aged 81 years. Beloved wife of Bernard, loving mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother.

She will be missed by all her family and friends.

Nick, Karen, Tyler, Curtis, Chanel Jo-Jo, Jay-Jay, Lilly-Rae, Marleiah-Rae

## FORSTER BROWN

## Patricia

Passed away peacefully on 3rd June 2018.

A much-loved wife, mother, sister and grandmother. A special lady who will be sadly missed.

Funeral service to be held on Tuesday, 19th June 2018 at St. Senwyr Church, Llansannor at 11.30am, thereafter to Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium for 1pm. No flowers by request but donations would be welcomed for The League of Charing Cross Hospital Nurses (The Mary Cochrane Memorial Fund) online at [www.patricia-forsterbrown.muchloved.com](http://www.patricia-forsterbrown.muchloved.com), or via the funeral director.

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## TOWLE

## Derek Edward Thomas

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He will be greatly missed by all his family and many friends.

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Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to Macmillan Cancer Support or the Royal National Lifeboat Institute c/o the funeral director.

## WALLACE

## Sydney (Syd)

Peacefully on 13th June with his precious daughters Danielle and Gemma at his bedside, Syd sadly passed away at College Fields Nursing Home.

Syd will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting at Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Thursday, 21st June at 12 noon.

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## MILLER

## Margaret Elizabeth (formerly O'Connell) (née Grubb)

Peacefully on 5th June at home, surrounded by her loving family, Margaret sadly passed away. A loving wife to Bernard and much loved mum of Chriss, Nigel, Richard, Nick and their partners. Cherished and adored nan to all her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Margaret will be greatly missed by all her family and many friends.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until her service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Monday, 18th June at 11am.

Family floral tributes only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support Ty Hafan Children's Hospice For Wales in memory of Margaret. The family request that colourful clothing be worn to celebrate her life.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Lyndsay Ellis, telephone 01446 407962.

## FIGGINS

## Trich (née Holmes)

Peacefully on 3rd June 2018, Trich passed away at home. Beloved wife of the late Eric, much loved mum of Louise, Laurie, Joe and Anna, adored nan of Hana-Mai, Lily and Felix. Cherished sister of Hazel, Marian, Beryl, Sylvia and Grenville.

Trich will be greatly missed by all her family and her many friends.

Resting at James Summers Funeralcare, Lavernock Road, Penarth CF64 5UP until the celebration of her life at All Saint's Church, Barry on Friday, 22nd June at 11.30am. No flowers by request. Donations in lieu, if desired, may be made to Marie Curie Cancer Care, Velindre Cancer Care and All Saints' Church on the day.

## CAMPBELL

## Malcolm (Mal)

Suddenly but peacefully on 7th June, surrounded by his family, Mal, well known within Barry and a devoted husband to Val. A cherished dad of Debbie, Wendy, Martin and Sarah, special father-in-law of Andrew, Sharon, Gareth and Steve. A precious bampie and great bampie to all his grandchildren, a loving brother of Jean and brother-in-law Sid.

'He loved us all and we loved him'.

Mal is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road Barry until a celebration of his life to take place at Crossway Methodist Church, Barry on Friday, 29th June at 11.45am, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium.

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## Father's Day

## ROY FYFE

## Happy Father's Day!

Love from Kevin, Barrie, Jacqui and Tracy xxx

## Acknowledgements

## LANE

## Robert (Bob)

Passed away on 17th May 2018 at Holme Tower.

Much loved husband of Chris, loving father, grandfather and uncle. Loved son of the late Leah and Bill, brother to Pat and John.

The family would like to thank everybody who attended Bob's funeral and for the donations received for MacMillan.

## GEORGE

## John 'Hoppo'

Cheryl, Becky, Robert, Jackie and family would like to say thank you for the lovely cards, messages of condolence and the donations to Marie Curie Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Thank you also to all who came to the funeral service to celebrate John's life; we were overwhelmed by the number of people who attended and who obviously thought so highly of John. We would also like to thank Father Craig Vaughan for leading such a beautiful tribute and uplifting funeral service.

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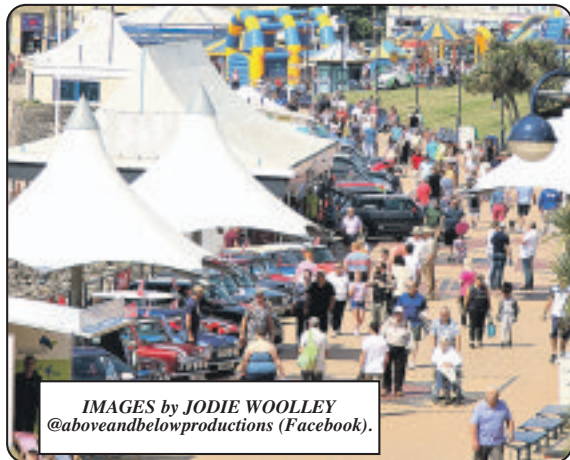
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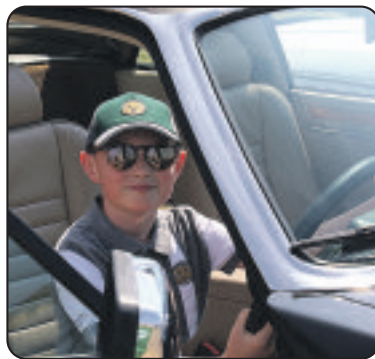
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# FESTIVAL OF TRANSPORT BRINGS BARRY ISLAND ALIVE



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**THE Cardiff Transport Preservation Group had a bumper Festival of Transport on June 10 on a perfect summer's day.**

The event attracted reportedly the largest number of classic, performance cars and other vehicles to the seaside town, with 480 visiting vehicles.

There were cars of the 1920s and 1930s, to the latest Mercedes and buses from the 1950s to the 1980s, including double decker buses used on services to Land's End, a Royal International Air Tattoo Fairford bus and a Scottish coach from the Midlands.

The heritage bus

service operated a full timetable with four open top buses proving ever popular.

Organiser Mike Taylor said: "It was a very hot day for our visitors and our volunteers. The main area allocated for cars soon filled and we had some interesting visiting vehicles not seen at Barry before."

"Donations given on the day will go towards restoring our collection of Welsh buses. I want to thank all those who came and volunteered on the day, the Vale Council and all the exhibitors for making the day possible."

The preservation group's next big heritage bus and classic car event will be in Merthyr Tydfil on Sunday, September 9.

OT



ABOVE LEFT: Championship winner Ryan Dixon, and ABOVE RIGHT: Club captain Mike Chick with Matthew Dalrymple and Logan Gillies, who both hit hole-in-ones.

## Welsh Open Youth Championships come to Wenvoe

**WENVOE Castle Golf Club's place at the top table of golf courses was endorsed on the weekend when they were honoured to host the Welsh Open Youth Championships.**

The players, all under 21 years old are the top youngsters from throughout the United Kingdom and Ireland, together with a number from France and Germany who made the considerable journey to take part in a field of over 140 entries.

A well-supported practice day on Thursday was followed by two qualifying 18-hole rounds on Friday and Saturday and the top 45 scores plus ties playing a further two rounds of 18 holes on Sunday to establish the best scores over four demanding rounds of golf.

Wenvoe Castle provides a stiff challenge with tree-lined fairways and well-guarded greens ensuring the need for extra vigilant course management otherwise stray shots could prove costly.

The first day saw a slight delay in starting but the mist quickly cleared and the competition was played in glorious sunshine with little wind to add to the challenge.

On the first day Keiran Babbage, from the The Players Club, led the field with an excellent 69 (three under par) but with just a handful of players

posting scores under par the course was clearly proving to be tough challenge.

On the first day two holes in one were recorded. One on the Par 3 second hole and another on the par 4 fourth. Wenvoe Castle club captain Mike Chick was delighted to present the two players – Matthew Dalrymple and Logan Gillies – with a Wenvoe Castle shirt in recognition of their achievement.

The cut for the final 45 players proved to be quite high at +9, with just a handful of players posting scores below the 72 par for the course.

The lead changed hands several times during the final two rounds but the consistency of Ryan Dixon from Castle Eden Golf Club reaped its rewards and clinched the trophy with an excellent final score of -6 with rounds of 72, 69, 71 and 70.

He survived a late challenge from Jack Slater (Letchworth Golf Club) who finished on -4 and Rueben Bather (Llandudno Golf Club) close behind on -3.

Rueben posted the best score by a Welsh player and in doing so was awarded the Ben Enoch Memorial Trophy.

Mike Chick presented the trophies and congratulated the players

on the quality of their play and the sportsmanship shown throughout the tournament.

He thanked Wales Golf for inviting Wenvoe Castle to host the championships and said he would be delighted to see further events at the club in the future.

Ashton Bradbury, chairman of Championship and Rules, Wales Golf, thanked Wenvoe Castle for the excellent work in hosting the Championships and paid special tribute to Lucy Sellick, the head greenkeeper and her team, who presented the course in such fine condition throughout the tournament.

Thanks were paid to the referees and starters and the host of club members who helped with the administration of the event. The facilities were first class and Nicola Sims, club secretary, and her bar and catering team were given special thanks for their efforts over the four days.

Wenvoe Castle can be proud of its ability to host such an event and provide the opportunity for local golfers to watch the best young players on the amateur circuit – several of whom will no doubt go on to the professional ranks.

BJ

## GP receives BEM in Queen's Birthday Honours

**DR HASMUKH SHAH, a south Wales GP, has been recognised in the Queen's Birthday Honours list with the award of a British Empire Medal.**

He has worked in the NHS for nearly 43 years and has devoted his life to improving the health of a significantly deprived area of Wales.

However, it is his passion for community and charitable work that was recognised in the Honours List.

A fundraising board member of the Vale for Africa charity, Dr Shah's great strength has been to organise and support fundraising events and partnership projects such as Eye Care (teams from Wales visiting Tororo to train and treat thousands of people over the last four years).

In addition, he has raised funds for motorcycle ambulances, a resource centre/library and student scholarship at Atlantic College and piped water for primary schools in a rural community.

Dr Shah is trustee of Sanatan Dharma Mandal and Community Centre Cardiff, Welsh Hearts, Race Council Cymru and The Mentor Ring. He chairs



Dr Hasmukh Shah

MEGAFOCUS group (Minor Ethnic Association for Ophthalmic Care) in Wales Government, is the honorary secretary of British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin which has contributed tremendously to the recruitment, retention and training of overseas trained doctors providing vital services to the NHS in Wales.

His charity efforts do not stop at the UK but also extend to overseas causes, raising funds for school projects in India and an orphan project in Africa.

Dr Shah was awarded Visiting Fellowship by the University of South Wales in 2017 for his longstanding medical professional work, education and charitable work to people of Wales.

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## Belle Vue Bowling Club round-up

**BELLE VUE Bowling Club played at the Murch Bowling Club on Saturday, June 9, and lost 57 to 89 shots, with three rinks losing and one tied.**

Rink two tied their match 20-20, which was nip and tuck all the way. Lead was Paul Booth, No2 was Dave Smith, No3 was Dave Miller and the skip was captain Malcolm Thomas.

Rink three lost 9 to 26 - lead was Frank Keen, No2 was Dave Huntley, No3 was Paul Paterson and the skip was Len

FK

## Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club news

**THE latest results for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for June 11 are as follows:**

First, John Raymond and Alan Lewis, 62.37 per cent; second, Alan Grant and Glenda Roberts, 57.58 per cent; third, Barbara Exton and Helen Barrie, 56.82 per cent.

LE



# Mixed fortunes for Millwood

**AFTER an encouraging start to the season last week this week produced a completely different set of results.**

On Wednesday, Millwood made the short trip to Rhose to play a Munro Cup match on a sunny evening. Both teams set out with victory as their aim, but at the end of a hard-fought encounter, the home side ran out winners three rinks to one.

Millwood, led by captain Alan Annis, led his rink to a narrow one shot victory, while Alan Evans held his opponents right up to the 15th end when disaster struck, dropping 9 shots over the next 3 ends and despite a 4 on the final end, lost 21 shots to 15.

Brian Crockford and his rink were giving as good they were getting until the 12th end, when the next 3 ends cost 8 shots and although they recovered 6 shots over the last 4 ends, still went down 18 shots to 16.

On rink two, Geoff Stone and his rink did not manage to get to grips with the rink all night, going down 25 shots to 5, Rhose taking 12 points to Millwood's 2.

On Saturday, the Club travelled to Sully for a Division 3 match on another good playing day.

Alan Annis and his rink got off to the worst possible start, dropping a 6 on the first end a position from which the rink did not recover, losing 21 shots to 18.

Captain John Slee

and his rink were finding it extremely difficult to cope with the speed of the green and despite their best efforts, lost 18 shots to 6.

Alan Bumford and his rink got off to a good start and led 5 shots to 3 after 5 ends. However, on ends 7, 6 to 19 to 10, the rink dropped 11 shots – a position they were unable to recover, losing 22 shots to 15.

Elsewhere, Brian Crockford and his rink were making a very good job of giving the home rink a run for their money and up to end 15, held a narrow lead of 2 shots, 13-11. Disaster struck dropping 11 shots, finally losing 23 shots to 14.

Overall, the home side won 85 shots to 53, taking all 14 points.

At Millwood, the A side were at home to Roath Park in a Division 6 game.

On rink two, Alan Evans and his team got off to a slow start and were down 8 shots to 3 after 7 ends, but a 5 on end 8 changed matters and the rink eased to 22 shots to 17 win.

Geoff Stone took the lead from end 1 and ran out comfortable winners, 26 shots to 8. Elsewhere on rink 4, Bryn Webb found difficulty being consistent and eventually subsided 30 shots to 17.

Over on rink five, Mike Williams and his rink were not finding things any easier and did not trouble their opponents too much, losing 29 shots to 8 overall – a win for the visitors 84 shots to 73, Roath 10 points and Millwood 4.

BH

# Qualifiers held at Brynhill

**THE rolling fairways and velvet smooth greens of Brynhill Golf Club held the annual Championship qualifiers recently, split into three groups - Championship, Midway and the Buck Rabbit - who battled it out in perfect weather conditions for a place in the KO stages.**

Best in the Championship was Matt Lundrigan with a two round total of 148. Top spot in the Midway was Lewis Miller with a solid total of 163 while in the Buck it was Robert Garn, who carded a 92 on the

Sunday. With the best 16 in each category now going forward to the knockout stages, the pick of the ties in the Championship is the two Scotties, Bowman and Warne; in the Midway Alan Sweeney takes on Shaun Williams, while tie of the round in the Buck is Gron Jones versus William Burniston. On Sunday, a sunny Brynhill saw over a 100 competitors compete for the Artillery Cup.

Cael Penberthy and Nathan Clissold handled the slick greens and tight fairways best as they pipped ageing veterans Mathew Thomas and Carl Williams to win this four-ball, better-ball medal by two shots, with an impressive 61 net.

ND

# News from Sully Sports Bowls Club

**SULLY Sports Men's Bowls Club recently made the short trip to neighbours Sully.**

Both teams were successful on two rinks, but the hosts won on aggregate by the slender margin of seven shots.

A Middleton's rink scored a 22-17 win, despite a great fightback over the last three ends where the hosts took 10 shots.

K Romans' rink were behind until the 11th end, and even at the 13th, but in the final five ends they outscored the host by 10 shots to 2, to win 18-10.

R Roberts' rink were always behind, except when they led 5-4 on the fifth end, in a very low scoring and tight tussle, and Sully held on to win 18-13.

C Coomber's rink fared badly, but on 5-4 down on the eighth rink, then they held four, possibly more, shots on the ninth, but home skip A Jones' last wood took a wicked wick from a short wood and careered into the jack to win the end.

That set the course of the rest of the game, as the visitors struggled to win an end, with any luck favouring the hosts, and at the end the result was 22-7 in Sully's favour.

Rink scores: R Knight, M Stafford, J Kirk, C Coomber 7-22; A Fitt, D Burbridge, R Matthews, A Middleton 22-17; P Holland, P Collier, G Currie, R Roberts 13-18; J Harries, B Daniels, R Giddings, K Romans 18-10.

On June 9, the Sports faced the daunting trip to the Arms Park to play Cardiff Athletic in the PGIs, and came away with a rare, but well-merited, win by an aggregate of 82-76.

Level after five ends at 24-24, behind at 10 ends (37-42) and 15 ends (53-60), all the Sports' rinks dug in, and took the last six ends by 13 shots to take the overall aggregate by six shots.

Roy Roberts' rink found the green difficult in the early stages, and the Athletic led 12-1 after six ends, and 21-5 after 13 ends, and the Sports' fightback that brought the aggregate

back by six shots over the last eight ends, played an important part in the eventual overall team aggregate.

Rob Matthews' rink led for one end only, the first, and slowly fell behind to be 22-9 down after 17 ends, upon which they found something as they won all the final four ends, scoring six shots in the process, and, as on Roberts' rink, this last-minute surge in scoring was so important in the overall picture.

K Romans' rink played superbly throughout and led from the first end until the last, with a very fine and so much-needed victory by 13 shots.

Lee Romans' rink also put on a terrific performance, and led from the outset.

Looking comfortable with a 21-9 lead after 16 ends, the Sports found themselves under pressure as the Athletic reduced the arrears to five shots with two ends to play.

With all the other rinks finished, and watching the outcome, putting even more pressure on, the Sports gained one shot on the penultimate end, and secured, not only the rink win, but the overall aggregate win, by posting four shots on the final end.

Rink scores: R Knight, J Kirk, G Currie, R Matthews 15-22; M Stafford, A Thompson, A Collard, R Roberts 15-25; D Austin, L Adams, C Coomber, K Romans 25-12; R Giddings, M Morgan, G Brown, L Romans 27-17.

Sully are at home again on June 16 when the PG1 visitors are Whitchurch Hospital.

Sully Sports' ladies' fixture away to Millwood was cancelled due to Millwood withdrawing from the Evening League, so their next fixture is at home to Dinas Powys Ladies on Friday, June 14.

New members are always welcome, whether experienced players or beginners, just turn up at the club, or contact Peter Holland on 01446 622490, or Mary Dare on 01446 732994.

MS

# Barry chess team's cup hopes KO'd

**OUR final East Glamorgan competitive match took place this week when our A team played host to Cardiff B in the Knockout Cup semi-final.**

The Cardiff B team on the day was even stronger than their A team. Sam Jukes and Dave Parsons on boards

3 and 4 both gave us victory.

To go through to our first final for five years we only needed to earn a single draw from the two top boards.

Alas that proved to much so the tie was drawn 2-2 with Cardiff winning on Bottom Board Elimination. This is the third consecutive season when we have lost on tie break.

This is the 26th KO

Cup competition and Barry have won it on five separate occasions.

Leading the way with eight wins is the Cardiff Club. In the final they will meet the North Cardiff A team who on paper are the stronger team.

The North Cardiff club have never won this trophy. This season was the first time that they had won the Division One title so can they complete the league and cup double? Ironically both finalists have beaten a Barry team on their way to the final.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30pm each Monday at the West End Club, St Nicholas Road, Barry CF62 6QY.

The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

New players are very welcome to just turn up on the night but if you contact one of the club members through the website we can explain what is happening on the night you have in mind, and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival.

For more details visit our website at [barrychessclub.yolasite.com](http://barrychessclub.yolasite.com).

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# James shines at badminton championships

**FRIDAY, June 8 saw James Savory of Barry set off for the Special Olympics Regional Badminton Championships held in Wrexham.**

With 50-plus competitors taking part in the singles competition, James rose to the challenge after a recent injury, only dropping two out of the 16 games played all day.

Sunday morning saw the start of the men's doubles where once again James joined up with his doubles partner Stephen Davies from Wrexham.

The pair only ever



James Savory playing together at competitions, but they picked up where they left off from the last competition and didn't

drop a game. James received the gold medal in the men's singles and, along with Stephen, also received the gold for the men's doubles.

If anyone is interested in taking part as an athlete or volunteer the sports we cover within Special Olympics Cardiff & Vale group are Badminton, Bocce, Boccia, Indoor Bowls, Golf, Artistic Gymnastics, Sprint Kayaking, 10 Pin Bowling and Swimming.

For more information please contact Jeff Savory via [specialolympicswales@gmail.com](mailto:specialolympicswales@gmail.com) or call 0780 316 5581.

JS

# RHOOSE BOWLERS ARE HOT SHOTS!

**FOUR bowlers from Rhose Bowls Club (D Kendall, B Shears, T Lages and skip C Ashdown) achieved an amazing feat in their game against Murch in the Alan Martin Cup.**

With the score standing at 13-11 to Rhose, they produced a 'Hot-Shot' on the 14th end with all eight woods counting.

Not content with this they repeated the achievement on the very next end – 16 shots gained in just two ends!

The eventual result was an overall victory for Rhose by 66-15 in the two rinks-only competition.

Rhose have made a great start to the season winning both matches played in the CDM League (Beddau and Barry Romilly a) and also qualifying for the first time for the knockout stages of the W B A competition (Carruthers Shield) following



victories in all three of their pool matches (at Bridgend and Barry Central and at home against Aberkenfig).

A really tough match now follows when they entertain Tenby this Saturday in the first round proper.

With several new players joining, plus the addition of some young 'up-and-coming' stars, Rhose is looking forward to a great season.

TL

# Changes confirmed at Dinas Powys FC

**DINAS POWYS FC are delighted to announce that Mark Tawton and Gavin Price will form the new first team management at Dinas Powys.**

Both are vastly experienced at Welsh League level with Gavin's previous clubs, including Barry Town, Cardiff Civil Service, Dinas Powys and Grange Quins, while Mark's former clubs include AFC Llywdcoed and Cwmaman.

We are also pleased to confirm that Robert Brown, Paul Lewis and Alun Lewis will be coming on board, with Paul and Alun taking charge of the reserve team.

Pre-season training will start at 6.30pm on Tuesday, July 3 at Bryn y Don, Dinas Powys, with existing, old and new players all welcome to attend.

RG

# Romilly bowlers slip to defeat

**AT a sunny Romilly Park, Romilly hosted last year's CML Division One champions Gilfach Bargoed, a tough fixture to get back to winning ways after defeat to Caerphilly the previous week.**

The Romilly started poorly and after five ends were 10 shots down; 10 ends brought a little improvement, the deficit pegged back to five.

The 15th end saw the rink of A. Bryan, G Rees, G Eastment and skip J Wright go eight shots up while the rink of A Bannister, D Francis, M Newman, G Cogbill were

ahead by three shots.

Mike Doyle's rink - P Gershenson, T Bloomfield and C Collins - were one shot in arrears while the fourth rink of captain K Mills, J Daly, R Jones and B Foscolo battled hard with a four shot deficit.

The final six ends were going to be crucial but a couple of loose ends meant Gilfach took the spoils, 57-53, to win 10-4.

There will be a short break from league activity while the Romilly take on Penyrhoel in the Carruthers Shield and hopefully regroup and return to winning ways.

MN

# Barrivale Bridge Club results

**THE results for the Barrivale Bridge club session for June 5 are as follows.**

The winners are: first, Diana and Adrian Trickey 64.97 per cent.

Second, Mike Close and Peter Millar 64.58 per cent. Third, Mark Roderick and Mike Best 56.77 per cent.

The handicap winners are Adrian and Diana Trickey.

As always, new members are welcome at Barrivale bridge club and a partner can be arranged, if required.

If you would like to join us call 01446 418380 or 01446 733425 or 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl

Road, Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Alternatively, players inexperienced or new, may attend the following sessions: Friday 10am (doors open 9.45am) at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play.

Thursday afternoons for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry (CF634AP, the waterfront).

While our current class for beginners continues to run on Friday mornings, new members wishing to start the class will be able to join the next beginners' class commencing this September.

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## Cliffhanger at Wenvoe Castle



Winners of the Betty and Harry Broadbent trophy.

### THE exceptional weather continues and playing golf is the place to be.

The course at Wenvoe Castle is simply a delight to walk and even if the game may be slightly 'rough' a stroll in the sun is a real tonic.

An excellent turnout for the Mixed competition on the recent bank holiday saw a very close result, with Karen Ball and Cliff White winning the Betty and Harry Broadbent trophy by the narrowest of margins.

They posted the winning score of 39 points to just beat Jayne and Huw Smith, also on 39 points but missing out on count back. Club vice captain Lesley Sherrard thanked all the members for supporting the competition; all played in a very enjoyable and sporting atmosphere, extended to a meal and a drink in the magnificent setting of the patio overlooking the course.

The Men's competitions are well under way and Gary Butt played exceptionally well to win the Renwick Seniors' trophy with 42 points. Commiserations for the runner-up Jeff Hudd who also played well to score 43 points, but narrowly missed out on countback.

Played on the same day was the aptly named Younger's Stableford which was won by low

handicapper Paul Wheatley, playing better than scratch to accumulate 41 points just ahead of Richard Harries with another good score of 40 points.

The recent Senior's Stableford was won by Alan Hancock with 38 points just seeing off the challenge of Tom Marples with 37 points.

The Ladies have the opportunity to play nine hole stableford competitions over the back nine holes and recently Caroline Holland posted a winning score of 17 points with Caroline Davies in second place.

Club membership is available to players of all categories and an opportunity to enjoy competitive or social golf. The club supports the initiative to encourage more ladies into golf and the club Professional is the contact to discuss the possibility of learning the game - with the additional benefit of health and fitness in absolutely stunning surroundings.

The club Professional can be contacted on 02920 594371 (ext 3) or alternatively the club secretary Nicola Sims on 02920 59471 (ext 2) will be happy to provide details of membership opportunities; also details of the club's facilities for functions or business use.

## Rhose boxers are given chance to shine

AS the season heads towards the Welsh ABA Championship at Sophia Gardens, Rhose junior boxers have faced opponents across south Wales in a bid to secure themselves an opportunity to fight for a title.

Coaches Michael Smyth and Wayne Cummins have witnessed some outstanding performances from the seven fighters who have worked hard to meet the criteria before this Saturday's weigh-in.

Earlier this year Zeb Yewlett took his win tally to six and brothers Brandon and Joel Harris delivered winning

performances with Joel being awarded bout of the night on his debut performance.

Iestyn Byrd and Marly Cummins bravely took on their first fights this spring. Two Southpaw opponents denied Marly the win and despite an outstanding performance on both occasions, Iestyn was robbed of a debut victory.

Club history was made when Nicole Twomey became the first female fighter to represent Rhose ABC and Ethan Liscombe gave performances that his great grandfather and club founder Peter Anthony would have been proud of.

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## On and Off The Turf with Brian Lee

ADAM Wedge, stable jockey to Llancarfan's Evan Williams, landed the Handicap Hurdle over two miles and four furlongs on 8-1 chance Voodoo Doll at Bangor on Tuesday (June 5).

Five-year-old Voodoo Doll came home four-and-a-half lengths ahead of Cougar Kid in a field of 12 runners.

CONNOR TO JOIN PAID RANKS  
CONNOR BRACE, 16, who landed the White Swan Hotel Open Hunters' Chase at Stratford last Friday evening on his grandfather David Brace's Robin Des People is to join the paid ranks.

Connor has proved something of a sensation this season and he has won the Wilkinson Sword for being the leading under-21 rider and also the Harley Racing Novice Riders' title.

He told the press: "I've learned a lot about race riding on the point-to-point circuit - how to ride over fences, judging pace and getting used to different tracks. The boys in the changing room have been a big help and you start learning how to chat to people like owners and

trainers. "I'll always be grateful to pointing. It's been a chance to learn and make mistakes, the stewards will call you in and put you right."

Connor also learned a lot about the sport when riding in the pony races that are held at point-to-points up and down the country and he will be joining Fergal O'Brien's yard as a seven pound claimer in August.

Robin Des People, a 9-2 chance and a winner of his three previous point-to-points, won by half-a-length from the 25-1 outsider Brave Jaq partnered by his fellow Welshman and friend Bradley Gibbs.

Bradley, riding Asockastar, finished second to 66-1 winner Chosen Dream in the Pertemps Stratford Foxhunters Champion Hunter's Steeplechase.

In the Skippers Ladies' Open PTP Championship Final Hunters' Chase, Bridgend builder Roger Willcox saw his Patrickton Boru, second in the race last year, finish third behind Owen Glendower and Sedgmore Express. Patrickton Boru was ridden by regular pilot Jodie Hughes who also finished second on Forever My Friend in the Freertrial Handicap Hunters' Chase.

TIM'S STRATFORD

### WINNER

ABERTHIN'S Tim Vaughan landed the opening Perfect P (Karma) Novices' handicap Hurdle at Saturday's Stratford fixture with his five-year-old Calarules who, partnered by champion jockey Richard Johnson, won by six lengths at odds of 5-2.

WINS FOR ISABEL AND JACK  
LLANCARFAN'S Isabel Williams and Merthyr Mawr's Jack Tudor both rode winners at the weekend.

At the Dingley Point-To-Point on Saturday Isabel, 20, riding her father Evan's five-year-old bay mare Burn Baby Byrne, won the restricted open race and at Sunday's Bratton Down Point-To-Point Jack Tudor, riding his father Jonathan Tudor's nine-year-old Desert Row, won the intermediate race.

Both these winners had finished second in their previous races at the Pembrokeshire Hunt Point-To-Point on June 2.

Isabel, who is making a bold bid for the national novice riders' championship, has ridden seven winners this season; the same number as Alcester's Alice Stevens, 19, who also rode a winner at Bratton Down.

BRIAN LEE

## SKITTLERS ACHIEVE HISTORIC TREBLE



CWRT y Vil skittles team, who play their home matches at the Cogan Coronation Club, achieved a historic treble this season, winning the Penarth & District Premier League title, the Champion of Champions trophy and the Marie Curie Cup.

It was the seventh time in the last 11 years that the team has won the Premier League and in a tough battle all season with their closest rivals the Clive Rams, pipped the Rams by only two points.

Needing to win the last game of the season against the Dads Army, Cwrt y Vil contrived to lose the game, despite Dads Army only having 11 players.

The Rams then needed to beat the Railway Sleepers away the same night to force a play-off. In the end the Railway won comfortably and the title went to Cwrt y Vil.

The Champion of Champions play-off match was hosted by the Llandough Legion and the three teams contesting

the cup were Cwrt y Vil, Lower Boys, winners of the Division One title and the Cross Keys Athletic, winners of Division Two.

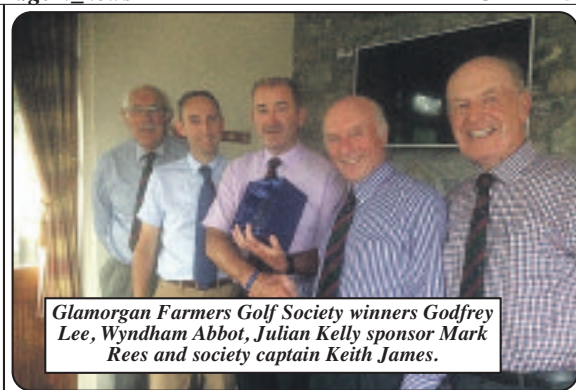
After four roles the match became a two horse race between Cwrt y Vil and the Keys and with Cwrt y Vil rolling last it was left to their anchor man Dave Garner to hit six pins to draw and seven to win the game. Dave duly obliged and hit a memorable eight pins.

With a disappointing number of teams entering the Marie Curie Cup, the final was held on the left-hand alley at the Ex-Serviceman's Club, between the Railway Sleepers and Cwrt y Vil.

In a match that could have gone either way, the Sleepers who required 24 pins from the last three players, hit eight, eight and, with their anchor man, then hitting six off his first ball, managed to miss with the next two balls and handed the Cup to Cwrt y Vil.

It was a valiant effort by the Sleepers, which was a great contest all night.

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Glamorgan Farmers Golf Society winners Godfrey Lee, Wyndham Abbot, Julian Kelly sponsor Mark Rees and society captain Keith James.

## Julian achieves lifetime ambition!

THERE are great views and there are great courses yet rarely do they come together with such perfection as they do at the Cottrell Park Golf Resort, now firmly established as the 'Home of Golf' in Wales.

With spectacular views over the Bristol Channel in one direction and the distant Brecon Beacons in the other the Mackintosh course at this great venue proved ideal to stage the annual medal round competition for members of the Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society.

Competing for the Shrieval Trophy in memory of the late Mr Islwyn Rees, himself a firm believer in stroke play competition, 35 members and guests made their way to the first tee all with high hopes of finishing ahead of the field and collecting one of the many excellent prizes supplied by the day's generous sponsor Mr Mark Rees.

Unfortunately, playing a medal round where every shot counts rather than the more traditional stableford format once again caused problems particularly to those who are unaccustomed to playing shots off plush fertile soil and where the only 'natural droppings' are blossom blown off the magnificent trees similar to Augusta.

However, despite the many counter attractions some were able to keep their head down long enough to execute that perfect golf shot and as the cards were handed in at the end of the day's proceedings just one shot separated the first three players.

Julian Kelly, with a net 72, was ecstatic when it was announced he had returned the best score of the day to win his first major competition at such a high profile venue.

Runner-up with a net 73 was Godfrey Lewis whose double bogey on the 17th hole proved crucial. Mike Lee also with a net 73 finished in

third place just ahead of Dan Jarvis, who finished with a net 75.

Robbie Llewellyn, trying to celebrate his 60th birthday in peace, finished in the 'also-ran' category.

Wyndham Abbot, with a net 69, won the visitors' section with Charles Vicary runner-up with a net 73.

The society were pleased to welcome John Hibberd, a founder member and now honorary member of the society, who moved away from the Vale in 1992.

John made the 400 mile round trip from Sussex to participate and thoroughly enjoyed the occasion made all the more enjoyable thanks to the supportive staff at Cottrell Park, namely Shelley Oliver, Katie Bugler, Ben Brigg and Jordan Sanding.

Nearest the pin on the Watts & Morgan sponsored par-3 holes were Godfrey Lewis, Gareth Perkins, Mike Lee and Martyn David.

Dan Jarvis hit the longest drive down the 18th fairway to collect the Llanerch Vineyard & Restaurant-sponsored prize and David Harris collected a 'Picketson Poultry' voucher when correctly guessing 41 balls would remain out on this delightful course which raised £80 for Prostrate Cymru.

The society's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 29, when members will be leaving early in the morning for a full day's golf at Chippenham Golf Club to compete for the Payton, Jewell & Caines International classic kindly sponsored by Mr John Caines.

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## Belle Vue's big win over Ely

BELLE Vue took on Ely Bowling Club on June 2.

Belle Vue had a very big win in this first league game of the season, winning on all four rinks, 111 to 40 shots, a 14 point win.

Rink one won by 21 to 14 shots; lead was Paul Booth, no 2 was Dave Smith and no 3 was Dave Miller; the skip was Malcolm Thomas, our captain.

Rink two won 23 to 12 shots; lead was Graham Duggan, no 2 was Richard Brant and number 3 was Alan Thomas; skip was Trevor Ford.

Rink three won by 32 to 4 shots; lead was

Frank Keen, no 2 was Dave Huntley, no 3 was Paul Paterson and skip was Ceri Jones.

Rink four won by 33 to 10 shots; lead was Len Fowler, no 2 Gerry Field, no 3 was Barrie Bagwell and the skip was Dave Purser.

Thank you to Malcolm Thomas for the food and drink and to all his helpers in the bar and kitchen.

The weather was lovely and very hot and the game was played in a very friendly manner, lots of banter and laughs all round.

Thank you, Ely, for making it a good friendly game!

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## Phoenix hold end-of-season awards evening

**PENCOED Phoenix held their under-15s, under-18s and senior presentation night recently.**

The under-18s supplied several regional players and Phoenix senior team were crowned D1A champions.

Phoenix are now looking forward to the Newquay 7s tour and beach rugby - all are welcome to join, contact team manager Michele Halse on 0770 973912 or Pencoed RFC.

The following awards were presented: Player of the year Rose Lubin; players' player Natalie O'Shea and Leanne Burnell; most improved Laura Keeble; most promising Lowri Handley; coach's forward Rachel Jones; coach's back Hannah Seward; best newcomer forward Lucy Cahill; best newcomer back Megan Griffith; top try scorer Natalie O'Shea;



**Coaches forward Rachel Jones.**

supporters' player Katie Murphy.

Captain Amie Stevens is also pictured with a trophy and representative from the WRU pictured with the league trophy.

All photos by club photographer Julie Hancock (juliehancock.org).

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**Laura Keeble and team manager Michele Halse.**



**Supporters' player Katie Murphy with founder Terry Rees.**



**ALL PICTURES BY JULIE HANCOCK.**

## Bulls edge exciting encounter

**BRIDGEND Blue Bulls won an exciting battle with Llanelli Knights 52-36 at Pyle RFC on Wednesday night.**

The first 15 minutes were dominated by the Knights and it looked set to be a long day at the office for the Bulls.

They were 14-0 up by that time after tries from Ieuan Ace, Dan Maiden and Rhodri Morgan with one converted by George Freeman.

However the home side tightened up and fought their way back into the game with successive tries and varied play.

Tries from Keiran Hooper, Jack Dryden, Gareth Howells and Owen Thomas, three of them converted by Howells, put them into a 22-14 lead.

Llanelli went into the break leading 26-22 after Jamie Evans and Maiden scored tries with

Freeman converting both.

Bridgend established a commanding lead after the interval, one that they wouldn't give up again, Dale Wood, Hooper, Howells, Hawkins and Dale all going over for tries with Howells converting.

By that time Bridgend were 52-32 up. Llanelli did register two second half tries - Maiden completed his hat-trick, Taylor Phillips converting, in the middle of that run, and they had the final say with a Tom Evans try.

Also on Wednesday night, Valley Cougars lost in a friendly match to the Army side, REME RL (Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) 42-16.

The Cougars fielded different sides in each half as they arrived with a squad of 29 to select from.

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## Tondu under-12s are looking for players

**TONDU RFC under-12s (next school year 7) are looking to recruit extra players.**

If your child is enjoying school rugby and looking for a club or simply looking to start a new sport, they are more than welcome.

Coaches and referees are fully CRB-checked and WRU-qualified, and pre-season training starts in July at Pandy Park.

For more information, contact Gareth on 07779 240278.

MIKE SULLY



**Coach's back Hannah Seward and coach Allan Howells.**



**Forward Lucy Cahill and coach Steve Arnold.**



**Player of the year Rose Lubin.**



**ABOVE: Natalie O'Shea, Leanne Burnell and team manager Michele Halse.**



**Captain Amie Stevens and representative from the WRU with the Division 1A trophy.**

## Bridgend Bridge Club news

**THE latest results for Bridgend Bridge Club are as follows:**

On Wednesday, June 6: First, Mike Best and David Birt; second, John Beard and Liam Sheridan; third, Tony Disley and John Evans. The winners on handicap were Mike Best and David Birt.

On Thursday, June 7: First, Geoff and Christine Tinkler; second, Eileen Mahoney and Jeff Barnett; third, Stuart Davies and Leila O'Hagan. The winners on handicap were Eileen Mahoney and Jeff Barnett.

On Friday, June 8: First, Marjorie Morris and Bill Turner; second, Vida Halford and Glyn William; third, Norma and David Newman. The

winners on handicap were Marjorie Morris and Bill Turner.

Regular club nights take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at Nolton Church Hall. Play is scheduled to start at 7pm, to enable a prompt start, it helps if players arrive at least 10 minutes early.

On Thursday afternoons at 2pm there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding. All sessions are played in a friendly manner, visitors and new members are always welcome.

Lessons for beginners are being run by Steve Burgoyne; contact Steve Burgoyne on 01656 661968 or David Newman on 01656 649138.



**Best newcomer back Megan Griffith.**



**Top try scorer Natalie O'Shea and life supporter Emlyn Roberts.**